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PHASE 3 TRIAL ANALYSIS PEGS COVAXIN's EFFICACY AT 77.8%

Bharat Biotech said its jab has 77.8% effectiveness against symptomatic Covid and 65% efficacy against the Delta strain

93.4% EFFECTIVE AGAINST SEVERE DISEASE

While the study is yet to be peer-reviewed, the pre-print data publicised on Saturday show Covaxin to be 93.4% effective against severe disease. "Safety analysis shows adverse events reported were similar to placebo, with 12% subjects experiencing commonly known side-effects and less than 0.5% of subjects feeling serious adverse events," the company said

OVER 25K VOLUNTEERS PARTICIPATED

- Though Bharat Biotech got emergency use authorisation in January last, there was criticism that its efficacy data was much delayed, while several other manufacturers had reported theirs
- The trials were conducted between November 16 and January 7, 2021, with 25,798 participants randomised to placebo groups | P9

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Swearing-in today; Khatima MLA will become the third CM of the hill state in four months

Pushkar Dhami is new U'Khand CM

VINEET UPADHYAY @ Dehradun

PUTTING an end to the political drama, Pushkar Singh Dhami was named the new Chief Minister of Uttarakhand on Saturday. The decision to make the 45-year-old the No. 1 man in the state cabinet was taken at the BJP's legislature group meeting.

A two-time MLA from Khatima, Dhami is the youngest CM of Uttarakhand. He will take oath on Sunday. "I am grateful that the party has chosen a common worker, son of an ex-serviceman born in Pithoragarh to serve the state. We are committed to working for the people," he said.

His name was proposed by outgoing CM Tirath Singh Rawat, who resigned on Friday. After that, it was a unanimous choice. There were celebrations in the new CM's village, with locals dancing to the beat of *dholaks*.

Dhami started out as a youth leader and is believed to have a strong youth connect. In his younger days, he was a leader of ABVP, the student wing of RSS. Later, he became part of the Bharatiya Janata Yuva Morcha, the youth wing of BJP. In all, he has served the RSS and its sister organisations for 33 years. Not known to be close to Prime Minister Narendra Modi or Union Home Minister Amit Shah, Dhami is believed to have good rapport with Defence Minister Rajnath Singh.

Former Uttarakhand BJP president and MP from Nainital Ajay Bhatt said it felt good to have a young leader. "We are going to win the 2022 Assembly elections with a bigger margin than 2017," he said.

Dhami's mother Vishna Devi said: "I cannot describe my feelings. I miss his father. He would have been happier than me, the happiest person in the world to see his son become the CM." Dhami's wife Geeta thanked the prime minister, Shah, Rajnath, BJP's national president JP Nadda and the people of Khatima who elected him.

Opposition leaders lashed out at BJP, saying, "The drama is an insult to the people of the state. The PM promised that double engine governments will work towards development but all they gave was two ex-chief ministers."

P S Dhami waving to his supporters after being named U'Khand CM | PTI

INSIDE | FROM ARMY FAMILY, DHAMI HAS RSS ROOTS | P10 | RAWAT'S SHORT STINT MIRED IN CONTROVERSIES | P10

No more weekend curfew, malls to open from Monday

WHAT IS ALLOWED

- Suspension of weekend curfew
- **100%** staff at private/govt offices

- **100%** seating in public transport
- Malls, shopping complexes
- Restaurants, hotels, businesses till **9 pm**
- Places of worship for darshan
- Weddings with **100** persons
- Funerals with **20** persons
- Swimming pools, stadiums for practice, training purposes

WHAT IS NOT ALLOWED

Theatres, cinema halls, pubs; Large gatherings of all kinds; Schools, colleges and educational institutions; All activitites between **9 pm** and **5 am** (Night Curfew)

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

INTRODUCING further relaxations to existing lockdown norms in Karnataka, CM BS Yediyurappa on Saturday said that all government and private offices, industries and manufacturing units may resume work with 100 per cent staff starting Monday.

Relaxations will be in place for two weeks, till July 19. In a big relief to businesses, weekend curfew has been suspended. Though night curfew will continue, it will be in force between 9 pm and 5 am.

Shopping malls will be allowed to open, while public transport services, including buses and Metro, can run with 100 per cent seating capacity. The new relaxations will apply to all districts except Kodagu, where the Covid positivity rate continues to hover above 5 per cent.

"Theatres and cinema halls will remain shut. Swimming pools are allowed to be open only for training for competitions. Sports complexes and stadiums will open only for practice. All large gathering will remain prohibited, but for personal functions, like weddings etc, a cap of 100 people has been set. Not more than 20 people will be allowed to attend funerals, adding, "Places of worship will open only for 'darshana', and not 'sevas'," Yediyurappa said.

Staffers in PPE suits sanitise the premises of a popular mall in Bengaluru on Saturday, in preparation for the shopping centres opening on Monday | VINOD KUMAR T

Curbs can be lifted when cases dip: Kang

CHETANA BELAGERE @ Bengaluru

LIFTING Covid-related curbs when cases are down and reintroducing them whenever the indicators are high should be the strategy states should adapt, says Dr Gagandeep Kang, renowned virologist at CMC Vellore and Karnataka's advisor for vaccination protocols, in an exclusive interview to *TNSE*.

"With restrictions gone, there will be surge in cases. We need to adapt strategies of Maharashtra. Keep note of surge indicators, not just in terms of cases, but also ICU admissions and mortalities, and reintroduce restrictions," says Dr Kang.

Regretting that India is wasting valuable data by not integrating software, she says, "Whenever there is a new virus, we have to come up with new vaccines. For this, we need data. Why can't our database software talk to each other?" P4

Writ petition doesn't stand: Twitter to HC

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

TWITTER told the Delhi High Court on Saturday the writ petition against it for flouting the IT Rules 2021 is not maintainable because it is a US-registered entity which is neither the originator nor the publisher of the content transmitted through its platform. The petitioner doesn't have *locus standi* and, hence, the petition should be dismissed, it argued. The plea had also sought action against Twitter Inc for its failure to appoint a Resident Grievance Officer as directed under Rule 4 of the IT Rules 2021 and stated that as per a Government of India circular, the same were to be complied with by May 25. Replying, Twitter submitted that the circular was merely directory and not mandatory in nature, and further subject to "just exceptions". P9

Severe third wave unlikely: IIT researchers

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

THE impact of a third Covid wave, if it comes, will be much less severe than the second, according to a mathematical model developed by IIT Kanpur and IIT Hyderabad. In the worst-case scenario, there could be up to 2 lakh new cases daily between October and November if 50% of the infected individuals lose their immunity within three months and the rest stay immune. Other assumptions are that 25% will gain immunity one month after first vaccine dose, and another 25% one month after the second. Also, a new mutant virus may arrive by August-end and raise the contact rate to 0.5%. In a better scenario, there could be 75,000 daily cases, the model showed.

France begins judicial investigation into corruption claims in Rafale deal

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

FRANCE'S Parquet National Financier (PNF, national financial prosecutor's office) has ordered a judicial probe into allegations of corruption and favouritism in the ₹59,000 crore Rafale fighter jet deal with India, French media reported. PNF, which initially refused to order an inquiry into the controversial defence deal, finally relented after French investigative website Mediapart's fresh reports about alleged wrongdoings and a complaint by French NGO Sherpa, which specialises in financial crimes.

In April, a Mediapart report claimed "millions of euros of hidden commissions" were paid to ensure the deal is sealed, of which "some could have been given as bribes" to Indian officials.

Following this, NGO Sherpa filed an official complaint for "corruption" and "influence peddling" among other accusations, prompting an investigating magistrate to be designated to probe the deal.

"The highly sensitive probe into the inter-governmental deal signed off in 2016 was formally opened on June 14," Mediapart reported.

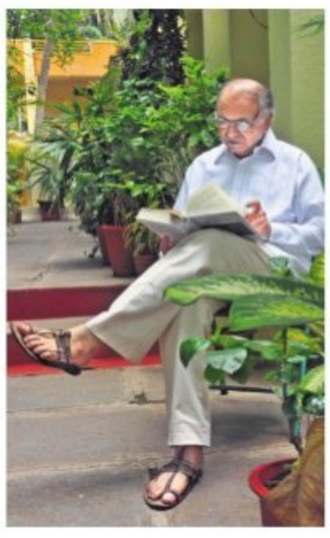
Rafale maker Dassault Aviation has time and again averred that there has been no wrong-doing.

Sherpa said its first complaint was filed with PNF in October 2018 but the latter took no action. The NGO said its complaint was based on a petition filed by former Union ministers Yashwant Sinha and Arun Shourie and lawyer Prashant Bhushan with the Central Bureau of Investigation. In the complaint, Sherpa had denounced the fact that Dassault chose a leading Indian conglomerate with no experience in aeronautics, as its Indian partner instead of HAL.

No myths in Devy's book on 6,000-year history of India

AMIT S UPADHYE @ Hubballi

AROUND six millennia ago, some clans of forest dwellers from South India set out on an epic journey, travelling along the coast and through northern parts of India to reach Gandhara, or Kandahar of present day Afghanistan.



The movement of people at a time when even the wheel was not invented has been documented in a 1,500-page tome, India Before History, by well-known linguistic anthropologist and Padma award winner **Ganesh N Devy**. The book, which documents the prehistoric period, will also have nearly 70 articles from the country's eminent scholars.

Professor Devy's project may be looked upon as a counter to the Centre's plan of documenting India's history of the last 12,000 years. But he is aiming to present the scientific facets of pre- and protohistory of the Indian region. "My documentation about the prehistory of India is to prevent any kind of falsification about our past. The government-formed committee to study the history of India has already run into controversy due the choice of members. The initial opposition was that it had no women members and a lone scholar from South India," Prof Devy explains. P2

EXPRESS READ

BSY writes to TN CM on Mekedatu project

Bengaluru: Chief Minister BS Yediyurappa has written to his Tamil Nadu counterpart MK Stalin requesting him not to oppose the Mekedatu balancing reservoir-cum-drinking water project and offered a bilateral meeting to clear apprehensions | P7

Former CS-headed panel sends first report to govt

Bengaluru: The Karnataka Administrative Reforms Commission-2, headed by former Chief Secretary TM Vijaya Bhaskar, on Saturday submitted its first report to the government, with 856 recommendations with focus on citizen-centric services | P5

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DAY-OLD BABY GIRL FOUND HANGED IN GOVT HOSP

V VELAYUDHAM @ Chikkaballapur

IN a heart-wrenching incident, a one-day-old baby girl was found hanged to death at Chinthamani Government Hospital in Chikkaballapur district on Saturday.

The baby, strung with a rope from a toilet window grill, was found by a Group D employee of the hospital, Venkateshappa, who informed the doctors.

The hospital CCTV footage, which has been seized by the police, shows two women entering the toilet with the baby.

"The search is on for the duo. We are probing the crime from all angles," said Superintendent of Police GK Mithun Kumar.

Hospital Administrative Medical Officer Dr Santhosh said that the baby appeared to have been born at home and not at the hospital as its umbilical cord had not been cut. The 60-bed mother and child hospital, where the baby was found dead, had six deliveries on Friday, and all the mothers and babies have been accounted for. They are safe and healthy, he added.

Inspector General of Police (Central Range) M Chandra Shekar said that a murder case has been registered and a team has been formed under the direct supervision of SP Mithun Kumar to crack the case.

Deputy Commissioner R Latha said the District Health Officer and medical officers concerned have been instructed to submit a report immediately.

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ALMANAC TODAY
• **Sunday:** 04/07/2021 • **Year:** Plava • **Ayana:** Uttharayana
• **Ritu:** Greeshma • **Masa:** Jyeshta • **Paksha:** Krishna • **Tithi:** Dashami 8.29 pm
• **Nakshatra:** Ashwini 10.38 am • Moon in Vrishabha Rashi • **Rahukaala:** 04:30 pm to 06:00 pm
• **Gulikakala:** 03:00 pm to 04:30 pm • **Yamaganda:** 12:00 pm to 01:30 pm

WEATHER
MIN 21°C | MAX 26°C
FORECAST
Light showers. Overcast

Sunrise	5.58 am
Sunset	6.50 pm
Moonrise	1.33 am
Moonset	2.14 pm

LONG TREK TO GANDHARA 6,000 YEARS AGO

Clans from South India set out on an adventurous migration along the coast, reveals a book by linguistic anthropologist Ganesh N Devy, which will be out soon

AMIT S UPADHYE @Hubballi

ABOUT 6,000 years ago, some clans of forest settlers from South India set out on a great journey, which took them along the coast, traversing through several areas up North, and reaching as far as Gandhara (Kandahar in present-day Afghanistan). It is one of the great adventures involving movement of people, etched in India's prehistory, at a time when even the wheel was not invented. Research has thrown light on certain facts, such as the families which embarked on the journey along the coast, crossed rivers either by boat, walk, or on the backs of animals.

Several such unknown intricate bits of knowledge on prehistoric India, dating back some 10,000 years, are now being preserved and compiled by noted linguistic anthropologist, and Padma awardee Ganesh N Devy. His book titled, 'India Before History', will be a 1,500-page documentation-orientated work, which will also involve close to 70 articles from the country's eminent scholars.

Professor Devy's project may be seen as a counter to the Central Government's ambitious plan of documenting India's history of the last 12,000 years. But through his research, he is aiming to present the scientific facets of pre- and protohistory of the Indian region.

According to Prof Devy, there are several myths and facts about this land, its people and their culture. But one has to look at them from the scientific point of view.

There are several branches of studying prehistory, such as archaeology, carbon dating, geology and decoding ancient bones — to know what kind of illnesses existed around those periods, what type of diet the people had, and so on.

"My documentation about the prehistory of India is to prevent any kind of falsification about our past. The government-set committee to study the history of India has already run into controversy due to the choice of its members and the regions they represent. The initial opposition to the committee was that it had no women members and a lone scholar from South India. In fact, the study of history began from the Northern parts of Karnataka, following an excavation of stone-age tools," Professor Devy explains.

"Scientific studies show that originally, human clans moved out of Africa some 60,000 years ago, and our original ancestors numbered about 700. They somehow managed to cross the sea and land in the American, Asian and Australian regions. But there are debates whether the Aryans came to India or went from here. There are theories which insist that Sanskrit-speaking people from India went from the region and settled in different parts of the globe, or the Sanskrit-speaking population came to India to settle. But there were no people called the Aryans at any given time in history, though there were languages," he says.

"Following the Ice Age, when the warming-up began, humans started thriving on the planet. Earlier, there were hunters and gatherers, who started developing tools. Slowly, humans began domesticating animals before moving to agriculture. Then came navigation and cultural changes, where paintings, crafts and poems were created. This is the time when the Vedas and Upanishads were composed, and then came the religious philosophies such as Buddhism and Jainism," he says.

"Also, there has been an interesting documentation of the prehistory of India, where large populations from the South of this land set out on a journey, exploring other parts of the region. There have been documentations and evidence about their journey, the places they camped at, and the sites where they buried their dead during their travel," he adds.

The book - India Before History - also speaks about how India became a major agricultural region, the early migrations, Harappan civilisation, and the current theories about findings, and many more. The genetics of this region, clans that survived on this land, before Gautama Buddha, their lifestyle, hunting and agricultural practices, are also covered.

The book is expected to hit the stands soon.

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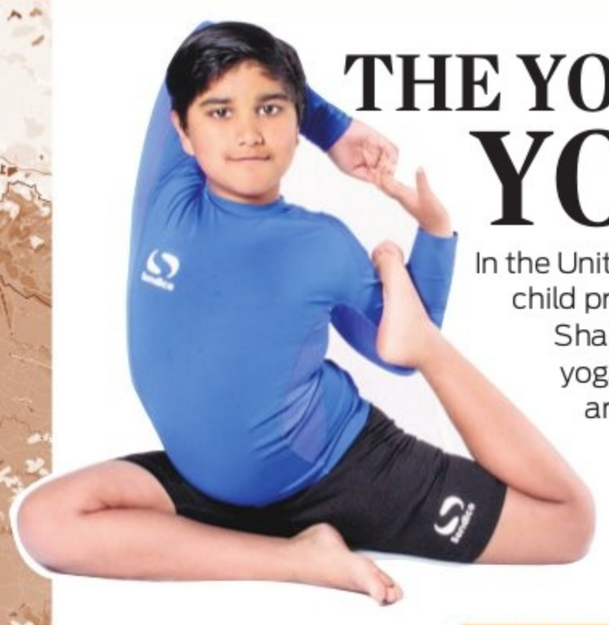
THE YOUNG YOGI



In the United Kingdom, child prodigy Ishwar Sharma is taking yoga to children, and is stylising it by adding music to asanas

KARTHIK K K @ Mysuru

THIS little champ was very busy during the global lockdown – he was leading daily yoga classes for over 40 children across 14 countries, to help them maintain physical and mental health.

Meet Ishwar Sharma, aged 11, who has his roots in Mysuru, and is now brand ambassador of yoga in the United Kingdom. He is promoting a yogic lifestyle in the faraway town of Sevenoaks, in Kent.

Ishwar is a four-time yoga champion, an international performer and speaker, who has added pride to Mysuru's feathered cap as the global yoga destination. He joins the legion of yoga exponents from the City of Palaces, known for Ashtanga Yoga.

Son of Dr N Vishwanath, a native of Mysuru working as a consultant radiologist in London, Ishwar started practicing yoga when he was just three years old. He took to it, inspired by his father, an avid yoga performer who has a special interest in integrating yoga with modern medicine. Ishwar quickly learnt the basics, various asanas and completed an advanced level of yoga, which took him to international competitions where he emerged World Yoga Champion four times.

Ever since, he has been promoting it among the public, especially children and British Indians. To make yoga more interesting, Ishwar has added music, choreographing and demonstrating asanas and formulating his own unique style, 'Acro Yoga' and 'Artistic Yoga', which is now very popular.

Ishwar struggled with ADHD (Attention-Deficit and Hyperactivity Disorder) from birth, and it was yoga that helped him find inner peace and calm, and overcome the disorder, says Dr Vishwanath.

Seeing his accomplishments in this field, Ishwar was recognised with the Global Child Prodigy Award 2020, and was among the world's Top 100 child prodigies. He also won the Global Yoga Championship organised by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, and donated the prize money to Covid-19 charity.

Following the outbreak of Covid-19, Ishwar took up the initiative of teaching yoga to children virtually, realising the mental issues among the young during the pandemic-induced lockdown. He felt that yoga would help them balance mental and physical health, especially those with special needs.

"This became a huge hit and kids started enjoying his virtual sessions. I think only a child can speak to another child in their own 'child language' which kept them engaged," says Dr Vishwanath.

Recognising his incredible work, he was chosen for the prestigious United Kingdom Prime Minister Boris Johnson's daily Points of Light award, for helping children with yoga during the pandemic.

Ishwar says that yoga has helped him improve his own physical, mental and spiritual health. "It has helped me in academics and also to better memory and concentration," said the child prodigy. "Yoga is fun. We learn about various postures based on nature, animals and birds. Make yoga your lifestyle and enjoy life."

Sharing his plans with *The New Sunday Express*, Ishwar said he would like to spread the message of the positive effects of yoga. "I have also requested the UK Prime Minister to include yoga in the national school curriculum, and will work towards the same," he said.

AWARDS AND HONOURS
- Points of Light Award by UK Prime Minister Boris Johnson - June 2021
- Gold medal, International Yoga Championship by Singapore Yoga Sports Association - June 2021
- Nomination as Rotary Young Citizen - April 2021
- Global Child Prodigy for Contribution and Achievements in Yoga - January 2020
- Gold medal, Global Yoga Contest conducted by PM Narendra Modi - June 2020
- Gold medal, Under-11 UK National Yoga Championship (3 times) - 2016-18
- British Citizens Award 'Young achiever of the year' - 2018
- British Citizen Youth Award by UK govt in House of Lords - October 2018

> **Yoga is fun. We learn about various postures based on nature, animals and birds. Make yoga your lifestyle and enjoy life to the full**
> — Ishwar Sharma

GETTING TOUGH

Non-bailable cases for misbehaving with marshals

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EVEN as BBMP Chief Commissioner Gaurav Gupta on Saturday announced the formation of 54 teams of marshals to ensure that citizens follow Covid norms, Bengaluru City Police Commissioner Kamal Pant said that non-bailable cases will be filed against anyone ill-treating or misbehaving with marshals, or not following the said norms.

Speaking to reporters on the sidelines of a meeting between police and BBMP officials, Pant said marshals and Covid warriors cannot be ill-treated. Anyone who misbehaves with them will be dealt with sternly, hotels and commercial establishments will be closed down, and citizens also will not be spared.

Several measures are under way to stop the virus spread in the city. The police will work in tandem with the marshals, he added.

The coordination meeting was held in connection with the implementation of Covid-19 rules. Gupta said that while cases have come down from 20,000 to 600-700, on a daily basis, it can be contained further if citizens follow Covid-appropriate behaviour.

The teams, which will comprise of four marshals each, have been formed to penalise those not following Covid norms, such as wearing of masks and maintaining social distance. Each team will visit and regulate highly crowded areas. Also, areas where rules are generally being flouted the most, will be visited by senior zonal officials, health officers and notices will be issued, and such places will be consequently locked down.

'Bug hotels' created at Turahalli, Kadugodi tree parks

These spacious and light-controlled spaces have become a safe haven for insects to roost and breed

BOSKY KHANNA @ Bengaluru

'HEY! Let's catch up at a hotel,' used to be the common phrase for people meeting their friends and relatives. Now, this is the language insects speak at Kadugodi and Turahalli tree parks, where the forest department has set up exclusive 'hotels' for the bugs.

The insect hotels have become a hit not just with conservationists, entomologists, ornithologists and zoologists, but also citizens. These spacious, luxurious, naturally ventilated and light-controlled spaces have become a safe haven for insects to roost and breed. These hotels have also become ideal feeding grounds for birds, and become complete biodiversity centres, drawing citizens, especially children, to see and learn. But as bugs like it quiet, there is a big board hung, 'Do not disturb'.

The first such bug hotel was created at the Bannerghatta Biological Park for butterflies, moths and other insects. It is a small one. It was then replicated with some minor modifications at Turahalli Tree Park. Now, it has been further improvised and expanded at Kadugodi Tree Park, making it the largest such attraction in the city.

"The insect hotel has been created with bamboo, wood, bricks, Mangaluru tiles and other leftover items. Just like any hotel, where one wants to relax and enjoy, this is an ideal space for insects. Bees, wasps, moths and other insects can be seen here," said Bengaluru Urban Deputy Conservator of Forests S S Ravishankar.

The bug hotel at Turahalli is around three feet high and five feet long, while at Kadugodi it is seven-and-a-half-feet tall and four feet wide. They are located in the interior portion of the parks to minimise disturbance. To ensure there is sufficient moisture in the hay, sprinklers have been installed, an official said.

The forest department is now getting inquiries from citizens to replicate them at their farmhouses or resorts. The officials pointed out that the idea is not to make it a tourist attraction, but to conserve and enhance biodiversity.

SHUCHI MITRAS TO HAVE ID CARDS SOON

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FOLLOWING Indore's model, BBMP will soon deploy more Shuchi Mitras (citizens cleanliness volunteers) and issue them identity cards.

BBMP Joint Commissioner, Solid Waste Management Sarfaraz Khan said around 200 Mitras are needed. They play an important role in maintaining cleanliness and creating awareness among citizens. The ID cards will give them power to stop those littering on roads or any other place. "At the moment, if a Suchi Mitra stops a citizen from littering, people argue and no one takes them seriously. But with ID cards, there will be a change in attitude," he said.

Khan was speaking to *TNIE* after holding a meeting with resident welfare associations and other BBMP ward committees on preparing a list of Do and Don'ts for Shuchi Mitras, the role they should play, and the road map ahead to ensure there is cleanliness in the city.

Khan said a target of one month has been set to complete the identification and listing of Mitras, prepare the works ahead for ward committees and zonal committees for solid waste management and citizens meeting. They will also be assigned to wards, after which the ID cards will be formally distributed to them.

He also directed officials to prepare the schedule for ward committee and zonal meetings so that there are no clashes with dates and citizens have the opportunity to review the work and give their inputs.

EXPRESS READ

Judges participate in tree census on HC premises

Bengaluru : The first exercise of counting trees through the Bengaluru Tree Census app was held at Karnataka High Court premises on Saturday. Eleven judges, along with officials of Karnataka forest department, senior advocates and members of the advocates association, participated in the census. Each of them counted and geo-tagged two trees on the app. The exercise was limited only to the court premises, which is part of the prime lung space of Bengaluru — Cubbon Park. Officials from the forest department said Cubbon Park's census will be done separately. **ENS**

Bannerghatta closed on Sunday, open on Tuesday

Even as Bannerghatta Biological Park has been opened up for visitors, the management has announced that it will be closed on July 4 (Sunday). However the park will be open on July 6 (Tuesday). Citizens should book tickets online at bannerghattabiologicalpark.org. **ENS**

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WALKING TALL

Once in a while a leader arises, who has the power to win friends, influence people and make them follow. The Congress has one such leader in D K Shivakumar, who has the capability of leading from the front with his powerful and charismatic personality. He knows the pulse of the people and has a grand vision for the development of Karnataka. He is a born leader.

DODDALAHALLI Kempegowda Sivakumar was born on May 15, 1962. An out-and-out extrovert, he dreamt of becoming a leader of the masses from a young age. He took on several challenges in the pursuit of this goal, and is now a successful politician, currently serving as president of the Karnataka Pradesh Congress Committee (KPCC). The MLA from Kanakapura constituency was Minister for Irrigation in the H D Kumaraswamy cabinet. Previously, he had served as Energy Minister in the Government of Karnataka in the Siddaramaiah government.

COVID & Action

COVID struck when D K Shivakumar got appointed president of the party unit in Karnataka. Not wasting a moment, he proceeded to wake up the government, which was in sleep mode. He pushed for an all-party meeting to discuss the government's preparation and demanded the declaration of a compensation package. The government convened an all-party meeting and discussed the situation, as per his request. He gave his full support to the government in this emergency situation, without letting politics come between.

Despite months of opportunity, the government did not take appropriate action. When both the lives and livelihood of the people were in trouble, the opposition took the responsibility of not relying on a dysfunctional government and came forward to act on its own. A covid task force, war room, helpline and vision Karnataka committee were initiated for the welfare of the state.

He called upon party leaders and workers to distribute free food kits and groceries to the poor in every corner of the state, when the situation was increasingly becoming worse. On the president's call, crores of rupees worth of food, groceries and vegetable kits were distributed throughout the state.

The President rushed to the aid of farmers when their flowers, fruits and vegetables were rotting on their fields without a market, due to the lockdown. He bought farmers' vegetables at a competitive price and distributed them free of cost to the poor. Together, congress leaders purchased crops worth Rs 100 crore from farmers and distributed them free to the masses.

D K Shivakumar also stood for farmers who were demanding Raichur-maski canal work. He assured them that they will meet their expectations when the party comes to power.

He fought for the rights of Asha activists, Anganwadi workers, auto and taxi drivers, unorganised sector workers, weavers, potters, hairdressers, blacksmiths and others, and sought the government's attention to their problem. He pressured the government to pay heed to their issues and solve them.

D K Shivakumar has continuously raised his voice for farmers, labourers, migrant labourers, the unorganised class and the minorities of the state.

In the fight against covid, DK Shivakumar also launched a campaign to ensure that every citizen in the country gets free vaccine from the central government, as the vaccine is the only weapon against covid. He also pledged Rs 100 crore from party legislators and parliamentarians towards this cause.

Shivakumar took on the task of unifying the party, and developing it into a cadre-based strong organisation. He insisted that the party workers' views are the views of the party, and the party workers' voice is the voice of the party president. He said the party firmly believes in collective leadership. He reiterated, "the Congress flag is the country's pride, Congress' strength is country's strength, and congress flag is our pride."

Shivakumar believes that the party's unification and strengthening must happen from the block level itself. He has announced that no matter how big a leader, he should build the party from the block level, and emerge as leader at the block level. During the recent bypolls, the consent of all leaders was taken, as was the opinion of party workers, before the candidates were selected .

He travelled right from Belagavi to Bidar to Chamarajanagar, and from north karnataka to Kolar, to develop consensus. He heard out the people in pain and became their voice. He made sure the party provides maximum support to them and stood with party workers, giving them a new spirit, a new vision and enthusiasm.

He collected the opinion of party workers across the state through Sankalpa Samavesha. As he says, "for a true leader, it doesn't matter how many people stand behind him. But how many leaders he has motivated and brought forward, is the point which matters the most." So he took all the units of the party into confidence and strengthened the party.

Constant communication is being established between villages and Delhi-level leaders through zoom video meetings for exchange of timely suggestions and directions. People are kept in touch effectively through social media networks. The oath-taking ceremony was itself a fine example of optimal utilisation of modern technology.

After the year 2021 was announced as the 'Year of Struggle', the party has been constantly trying to be the voice of the needy through *sankalpa samavesha, janadhwani jatha, rajbhavan chalo,* and *100notout*.

SUBSIDY

DK Shivakumar demanded a subsidy of Rs 10,000 a month for unorganised workers who were caught unaware due to the unscientific lockdown, thereby voicing the interest of unorganised workers who played a significant role in the economy of the country. Pressured by the Congress, the government announced a compensation of Rs 5,000, and when it did not reach the beneficiaries properly, the party took up the issue and fought for it, putting further pressure on effective distribution of relief.

7 MANTRAS OF KPCC PRESIDENT DK SHIVAKUMAR

- Congress history is the country's history
- Congresses strength is the country's strength
- Party work is the workers' dharma
- People's work is God's work
- Saving the Constitution is like saving the country
- 'Love for all' is Congress policy
- Collective leadership is the party's motto

CYCLE JATHRA

DK Shivakumar undertook a Cycle Jatha to protest against the steep hike in fuel price which was affecting the common man. Also, 'Petrol100NotoutCampaign' was undertaken across 5000 petrol pumps raising the issue of price hike.

MIGRANT WORKERS

When migrant workers were forced to leave for their homes, without any option of earning income, the government doubled ticket prices. Agitated by this, DK Shivakumar immediately went to Majestic Bus Stop and gauged the travellers' problem. He said the party would pay for the workers' travel, and give a cheque for Rs 1 crore to the government. Bus services were arranged, apart from meals and water. He also instructed the party's local cadre to arrange for necessary transport for migrant workers to go to their hometowns. With no alternative, the government was forced to provide free bus services to migrant workers.

COVID CONTRIBUTION

Masks and sanitiser dispensers were distributed to the people of the state. Party leaders and workers were also called on to do the same in their region. Healthcare related assistance was given to people through the Arogya Hasta programme. DK Shivakumar opened war rooms with a full-fledged medical unit, arranged for doctors to advise people, provided ambulance service for those in need, and ensured medical kit distribution facility. The party provided more than 200 oxygen ambulances in various parts of the state, and oxygen concentrators to those in need when there was a shortage of oxygen.

VACCINE DRIVE

DK Shivakumar met Governor Vajubhai Vala and even appealed to President Ram Nath Kovind, raising pertinent issues plaguing the state. Congress leaders and activists across the state have spent millions of rupees of their own, and initiated free vaccine camps for the people. He also inaugurated a free vaccine drive for all constituents of Davanagere, initiated by local legislator Shamanur Shivashankarappa.

FLOOD DISTRESS

When the flood situation worsened last year, government representatives, fearing the Covid situation, did not step in. But disregarding the situation, the KPCC president visited flood-affected areas and took stock. He repeatedly called for a relief package of Rs 10,000 crore, and also called for a special session to discuss the matter.

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COVID-19

TRACKING COVID-19

SPEED AND RISE OF COVID-19 CASES IN KARNATAKA

2,082 CASES REPORTED TODAY

2,984 CASES REPORTED YESTERDAY

TALLY STANDS AT

TODAY	28,52,079
YESTERDAY	28,49,997

DEATHS

TODAY	YESTERDAY
86	88

DISCHARGES

TODAY	YESTERDAY
7,751	14,337

ACTIVE CASES

TODAY	YESTERDAY
48,116	53,871

POSITIVITY RATE

TODAY	8.21%
YESTERDAY	8.24%

The day positivity rate – 1.34% – is calculated as the number of patients testing positive out of 100 tests conducted only in a day.

MORTALITY RATE

TODAY	1.23%
YESTERDAY	1.23%

RECOVERY RATE

TODAY	97.07%
YESTERDAY	96.87%

The first Covid-19 case in Karnataka was reported on March 8, 2020. Since then until July 3, 2021, a total of 28,52,079 cases have been reported in 1 year and 113 days...

2,35,23,470 Total doses administered in state

VACCINATION DRIVE STATUS

Number of people completing vaccination	40,02,814
Health care workers 1st dose	7,51,994
Health care workers 2nd dose	5,06,159
Frontline workers 1st dose	8,42,740
Frontline workers 2nd dose	2,55,960
Age 18-45 1st dose	69,31,873
Age 18-45 2nd dose	1 1,42,708
Above 45 1st dose	1,09,94,049
Above 45 2nd dose	30,97,987

DISTRICT-WISE COVID CASES

LAST 24 HOURS

481 BENGALURU URBAN

55 BENGALURU RURAL

Bagalkot: 5	Chamarajanagar: 36	Dakshina Kannada: 214	Hassan: 202	Kolar: 47	Raichur: 3	Udupi: 102
Ballari: 20	Chikkaballapura: 21	Davanagere: 48	Haveri: 10	Koppal: 9	Ramanagara: 6	Uttara Kannada: 28
Belagavi: 91	Chikkamagaluru: 79	Dharwad: 43	Kalaburagi: 20	Mandya: 72	Shivamogga: 108	Vijayapura: 5
Bidar: 7	Chitradurga: 18	Gadag: 5	Kodagu: 25	Mysuru: 227	Tumakuru: 89	Yadgir: 6

PANDEMIC TAKES A HUGE TOLL ON MENTAL HEALTH

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MENTAL health has taken a massive toll on the people across age segments, right through the Covid-19 pandemic. The successive waves of the Covid-19 pandemic have affected school/college education, led to job losses and salary cuts, domestic squabbles with the lines between office and home blurring in the times of work from home (WFH), loneliness due to death of near and dear ones, lack of closure on being prohibited from performing last rites of family members dying of Covid-19, and the lasting anxiety over oneself getting infected by Covid-19 and fears of dying from it.A combination of these have played a cruel dance on people's mental health. Deep-seated depression, anxiety, panic attacks and a constant worry over an uncertainty that was never experienced before, is the result of this, leading to impact on mental wellness.

The long-term impact of WFH has turned homes into houses accommodating family members and their multiple needs and functions with no room for individual privacy. Homes have turned into school-turned-office-into-broadband-driven lifestyles, all crumbled into one ghetto. Cases of domestic violence have gone up considerably since last year, with women having to bear the brunt of it. The helpline (080-46110007), launched by the National Institute of Mental Health & Neuro Sciences (NIMHANS) last year after the pandemic broke out to address psycho-social needs of people, has received over four lakh calls from across India so far.

Eminent behavioural scientist Ali Khwaja says Covid-19 has made the world turn inward; home-bound and in "solitary confinement". "Humans are social beings. They don't like living alone or being boxed in. The pandemic has forced people to stay at home. The biggest fear of illness is of going through it and dying alone. Condemned prisoners were put through solitary confinement. We have been in confinement for the last 15 months and it has taken a huge toll on our mental health. These issues are bound to intensify unless we start unlocking mentally," he says.

The second wave proved overwhelming for many as they lost their loved ones, and grief and fear overtook the last vestiges of hope. The healthcare infrastructure crumbled as Covid-19 cases soared and mounting deaths compelled the government to allocate new cremation grounds.

"The loss of near and dear ones and the ensuing grief is very real. At times like these, support is very critical. In fact, support is critical for all aspects — to reduce fear, isolation and deal with the grief of loss. Community-level support and response systems are very important to reduce mental distress," says Dr Pratima Murthy, Director, NIMHANS. "The occasional heart-warming stories of humanity during the pandemic need to occur and be told every day, everywhere."

She explains that mental distress and Covid-19 can be looked at from two aspects: "One is from the psychological reactions that people have experienced for more than a year now during the pandemic; and secondly, the experiences of being affected by Covid-19 and its neuro-psychiatric sequelae (a condition as consequence of a previous disease or injury)."

Dr Vivek Benegal, Professor of Psychiatry, NIMHANS, says, "The recent edition of Lancet states that one in three Covid patients are likely to develop neurological and psychiatric disorders. We don't know yet the magnitude of mental health issues. Because of the lockdown, people couldn't come to the out-patient department (OPD). Not being able to participate in the final rites of their loved ones has had a long-term impact on many people. They are unable to get a sense of closure."

MENTAL HEALTH OF KIDS NEEDS UTMOST ATTENTION

Absence of school education for almost two years is a big threat to the mental health of children. There are instances of children and parents getting frustrated with each other as most parents lack knowledge of child psychology. The lack of social interaction and absence of friends to play with due to restrictions causes frustration among children. Online schooling cannot replace offline classes, and children's knowledge cannot be assessed. Absence of examinations has diverted the minds of children with even good students showing lack of interest in studies.

BIG PICTURE

Ashwini N V, Founder-Director, Muktha Foundation, stresses on close attention to children's mental health. "Children's emotions often go unexpressed and unexplored. Many suffer in silence. They fear the loss of a dear one to Covid-19, or themselves getting infected; get frustrated due to lack of freedom of movement or adequate social interaction that otherwise happened in schools; or grief over loss of dear ones."She says anxiety, stress, loneliness, grief and other stressful emotions among children need to be addressed.

Children are also at the receiving end of parents suffering from displaced frustration and stress. Such forms of child abuse too have adverse effects on mental health and overall development of kids.

"When these emotionally stressful experiences go unexpressed, and neither understood nor addressed, it can lead to mental illnesses. This can adversely affect the child's relational, academic, physical and social well-being," she says. "Primary support givers must explore the child's emotions and thoughts daily, and provide a safety base to regulate their emotions, without letting it get pent up and take adverse forms. It is important for parents, teachers or any primary caregiver of children to be trained in psychological first-aid, so they can provide initial emotional support for a child in emotional distress before taking these children to mental health professionals."

CURSE OF ONLINE LEARNING

"Students of different age groups have different experiences of online education. None of it is positive," says Dr Satish Kumar, consultant clinical psychologist, Manipal Hospitals, Old Airport Road. "Preschoolers need a lot of stimuli, which they cannot get from online education. We are seeing cognitive and behavioural issues in this age group. Among the senior students, many of them feel they are unable to cope with online education and that no one understands them, when they express their shortcomings," he says. "Students are faced with an uncertain future and rising parental pressure and anxiety."

Especially, among the PU students, the future is uncertain with new methodologies for assessment floated frequently.

RESILIENCE

Talking about the breed of resilient people, DJ Jasmeet, a well-known name in Bengaluru's entertainment circuit, is coming out with the "online release" of a new music album. "Business has been shut for a long time. I am trying to stay afloat and have been spreading music," says Jasmeet.

Some of the best stories of resilience in this testing phase come from delivery partners of online services, who are the reason why we could stay 'safe' inside our homes. The migrant worker, who had walked back home last year with his family, has returned to work. The anonymous writers quote — "It doesn't get easier. You just get stronger," should be our response to the "intelligent" virus, which is forcing new rules of living upon us.

(With inputs from Divya Cutinho, Prakash Samaga, G Subhash Chandra, Raghu Koppar, Ajith M S and Mallikarjun Hiremath)

THE SOLUTION

Prof Hilda Rayappan, senior counselor and founder of Prajna Counselling Centre says the solution is in people being strong and living one day at a time instead of worrying about the future. Deeper prayer life and spirituality may also help people be calm. To relieve stress, people should go for a walk every day. Mental health issues should be treated as a core element in response to the pandemic and focus should be on helping people think positively and providing them financial assistance.

IT'S NOT JUST THE COMMON PEOPLE, BUT DOCS TOO

"I lost a very close family member last year. He was alone overseas. We watched his last rites on video. The family is still to come to terms with his loss and the way it happened. There has been no closure," says a leading doctor in Bengaluru. For intensivists, the second surge has been mind-boggling. "We watched patients die. Some of them were very young. Even as we battled hard to keep our patients alive, there were so many more out there, who died for want of a bed. We couldn't find beds for our own family members and friends. We had stopped taking calls," said the head of a critical care unit at a prominent hospital.

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SUNDAY INTERVIEW

'India wasted valuable info on 300 mn vax doses administered'

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WHILE the country continues to reel under the second wave and deals with questions on the timing of vaccine doses and the need to ramp up vaccination strategies, Dr Gagandeep Kang, one of India's best virologists and microbiologists with the Christian Medical College, Vellore, speaks to TNSE on some of the important aspects of mix and match of vaccines, the third wave and preparedness for it and most importantly, on data integration.

Just when we are seeing the second wave tapering, we are witnessing an increase in cases in Maharashtra and there is already talk about a third wave. When do you think we will see the third wave?

The rapid decline of the second wave was due to the measures taken to suppress transmission of the virus like Covid curfews, restricting travel between districts and states, etc. But as soon as these are lifted and people start to move around, you are going to see a surge in cases. What we need to track now is not only the test positivity rates but also hospitalisations and mortality. They are the indicators of a coming wave. We also need to have strategies like what Maharashtra has developed. That is, to decide that if we reach a point, then we will introduce restrictions, and withdraw later.

There are confusing signals about the dosing gap for Covishield. The Lancet publication indicates that two doses with a shorter interval provides better efficacy. However, the Oxford vaccine group, in their preprint publications, says that a 10-month interval is fine for immunogenicity. And India has chosen a gap of 84 days. What is your advice to the government regarding the ideal interval for two doses of Covishield?

There's a difference between an ideal and practical scenario. The ideal interval between two doses is likely to be 4 to 6 months for most vaccinations. But, the one thing to remember is you need a minimum of a three-week gap; there is no maximum. The further out you push the second dose the greater likelihood of ultimate advantage. The question is how quickly do you want this advantage. If there is a situation where you need two doses to get complete or full protection, then you might want to bring it together closer. The question is what is likely to happen between the first and second dose towards exposure likelihood. If the exposure is low, then there is no issue with pushing the second dose far off. If exposure is high, then you need to strike a balance between exposure and immune response.

A study in the UK has found that alternating doses of vaccines generate robust immune responses against the SARS-CoV2 spike IgG protein. Do you recommend this mix-and-match? Is there any study being done in India in this regard?

I absolutely think we should be doing these kinds of studies because we have products in India that are not available in other parts of the world. And, if they are going to be exported, as is the intention, they should do those studies so that we have information to offer about the advantages to the rest of the world, if there are any.

Which are the vaccines which can be studied in India?

Sputnik has already had a mix-and-match study with one dose of Astrazeneca and one dose of Sputnik. We have to think of different permutations and evaluate all of them. It doesn't need to be in large numbers as we are not looking for efficacy, we are looking for an immune response and measuring an antibody response or a T-cell response. We don't know how it translates to efficacy, but there will surely be an advantage to having a better immune response.

You have been appointed as an adviser to the Karnataka Government for setting up a vaccination protocol and guide the vaccination drive. What are some of the strategies have you suggested?

I have had several meetings and suggested some strategies which the government has said is proving to help. It's some basic principles like identifying the high risk population - those who are having severe disease or people who are at the highest risk of transmission. We need to make sure we prioritise these groups. When you have a limited number of doses, you maximise the value of those doses by having a strategy. It should not be that to just distribute it widely across the state, but instead try to focus efforts so that you get the maximum time for the public.

Do you see a need to integrate data to catch the variants fast? Data is now everywhere: For instance, INSACOG, Aarogya Setu, Co-Win, eVin, manual data entries from NDHM, NCDIR, etc.

This has been endlessly suggested to the government. It is important to understand that when people build data systems for a particular purpose, and if you want to use it for something else, then it must be possible for the data to talk to each other, to be integrated. Now, in public health terms, when a virus appears, you know there is an effort to make a vaccine or a drug you need clinical information, geographical info etc. It just makes sense when you build a database right at the beginning so that we can do this. Unfortunately, that did not happen. We administered over 330 million doses of vaccine in this country and we don't have any idea of how well or badly the vaccines are working. There's one published paper from CMC Vellore that relies on the 10k healthcare workers. We had similar data reported from other places, but not yet published. But 10k out of 330 million doses? I think we are wasting information that would be good for us and good for the world.

Q&A

Is it difficult to do this?

This is not rocket science. Israel turned into a living laboratory. Israel has a very limited number of people and they were able to publish the data one month after they started vaccination. We are five-and-half months into it and we haven't been able to put our data out there despite the fact that we have used 'n' times the vaccines Israel did.

To sum up, what are some of the things to do to beat the third wave?

Other than Covid protocols, it is also important that we need to not only ramp up vaccination, but also prepare for ramping up our clinical capacity to handle cases when they occur. We are going to see long Covid and I think we need to be better prepared for both the treatment of people and also research on them so that we can develop better modes of treatment. In terms of surveillance, our biggest risk are the variants. As long as replication occurs at a high rate, variants will continue to emerge. Our best chance of controlling them is to be able to identify them as a problem very early. The sooner we are going to get almost real-time whole genome sequencing of the virus the better for us.

'Provide video meet system to all courts'

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THE Karnataka High Court has said that the judicial system in the state must be in a state of preparedness to face the possible Covid-19 third wave and therefore, there is a need to provide a proper hybrid video conference hearing system in all district and trial courts on par with what is available in the HC.

"...the lockdown has resulted in creation of arrears. There are deliberations going on about possibility of a third wave and therefore courts should have hybrid video conference system— a system which gives an option to the members of the Bar to attend hearing either physically or through video conference—in all district courts," said a division bench of Chief Justice Abhay Shreeniwas Oka and Justice Suraj Govindaraj.

IN THE HC

The court said that Bengaluru is known as the Silicon Valley of India. Therefore, the best possible video conference system should be provided for the benefit of all the courts in the state, the HC said, so that they can become a role model for courts in other states. "We are sure that the State Government will immediately consider the proposal submitted by the High Court administration..." the court said.

Karnataka sees 2,082 fresh cases, lowest since March 23

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KARNATAKA on Saturday reported 2,082 fresh Covid-19 cases, the lowest since March 23 when the state had seen 2,010 cases. The state's total Covid-19 tally now stands at 28,52,079. The state also reported 86 deaths on Saturday, the lowest since April 18 (81 deaths), taking the total tally to 35,308. The mortality rate remains at 1.23%.

Meanwhile, Bengaluru's recovery rate has overtaken that of Karnataka's after the city reported 4,484 discharges on Saturday. The city's recovery rate has gone up to 97.11%, while that of the state, with 7,751 recoveries on Saturday, is 97.07%. The city reported 481 new cases on Saturday. The city recorded a 18.30% decrease in the number of active cases on Saturday at 19,760, compared to Friday when it was 23,760. On June 3, the active case load in the city was 1,34,384. It, however, dropped to 43,698 on June 30.

ALL NORMS FLOUTED

Social distancing norms were thrown to the wind at an event organised to distribute ration kits, in Bengaluru on Saturday. Earlier, Chief Minister BS Yediyurappa gave away relief kits to a few beneficiaries | ASHISHKRISHNA HP

In protest against the 'pathetic state' of a 52-km stretch of National Highway 4-A connecting Belagavi with Goan capital Panaji, Khanapur MLA Anjali Nimbalkar staged a sit-in demonstration on the road on Saturday demanding that the Centre take measures to repair the stretch

Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa at the Karnataka Administrative Reforms Commission-2 meeting in Bengaluru on Saturday

Panel pushes for digital, citizen-friendly measures

57 IAS, KAS officers and probationers conducted field survey

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THE Karnataka Administrative Reforms Commission-2 on Saturday submitted its first report to the State Govenrment with recommendations for changes in Revenue, Transport and Food and Civil Supplies. From door-to-door ration supply to doing away with redundant certificates and reducing red tape through single window platforms, the commission, headed by former Chief Secretary TM Vijaya Bhaskar, has made 856 recommendations with focus on citizen-centric services for the government's consideration.

"The three top public interface departments viz., Revenue Department, Food and Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs Department and the Transport Department account for nearly 80% of all applications for citizen-centric services. These three departments were therefore selected for the first study," the report said. Under Revenue Department, the commission has recommended that various services be brought under one window to make services citizen-friendly. "Atalji Jana Snehi Kendras (AJSKs) should become the Single-Window Agency for citizens for all the nearly 800 online services of all departments. All these services should become available through BangaloreOne, KarnatakaOne, Gram Panchayat Bapuji Seva Kendras and Common Service Centres. The Seva Sindhu platform should become a single platform for all e-services, both Sakala and non-Sakala services of all departments. The Karnataka MobileOne app should be redeveloped using the latest technology for providing all e-services of through mobiles," the report said. It added that the department should do away with Population Certificate, Residence Certificate, Crop Certificate, Agriculturist Certificate, terming them redundant and has asked the government to find alternatives.

> **Atalji Jana Snehi Kendras should become the Single-Window Agency for citizens for all the nearly 800 online services of all departments**
> Report

On the food and civil supplies front, the commission recommended door-to-door supply of ration to willing ration card-holders and Fair Price Shop dealers on payment of a mutually agreed fee by the ration card-holder. "Birth and death registration process should be linked with the ration card database with automatic updating. Automatic online renewal/amendment system for 3-5 years should be introduced for the licences/permits issued by the Department of Legal Metrology," the report suggested.

On the transport front, the panel has recommended complete shift to online mode. "An appropriate amendment may be proposed by the Transport Commissioner to the Karnataka Motor Vehicles Act to permit the Transport Department put up seized vehicles up for e-auction if the fine is not paid within the stipulated time, without the need of waiting for a court order to get permission," one of the recommendations said.

'Anyone who accepts Cong ideology can join'

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INDIRECTLY hinting that the 17 MLAs who quit the Congress are welcome back, Karnataka Pradesh Congress Committee president **D K Shivakumar** on Saturday announced, "Everyone who is willing to accept the ideology of the Congress can apply to join the party. I'm not addressing just those 17 persons (MLAs) here. The party will consider all applications and take a final decision in its best interest."

However, he said no one amongst the 17 who left the party and became ministers in the BJP government had contacted the party so far.

"I'm not addressing just those 17 individuals, all I am saying is that anyone can apply. Switching sides is common in politics. Every party will have such examples. We had brought in Pratap Gowda Patil from BJP. Going to another political party and returning is common in politics,'' he said. Shivakumar said those who respect the ideology of the Congress and is willing to join the party can apply to the committee headed by former KPCC president Allum Veerabhadrappa who will assess the applications.

"We will collect the opinions of our Block and District Congress presidents, local party workers and then take an appropriate decisions at the state level on this issue.''

Interestingly, on the issue of the 17 MLAs rejoining the Congress, Opposition leader and former chief minister Siddaramaiah, who had earlier emphatically said that even if there is a deluge, they will not be readmitted, on Saturday said he will speak to the Karnataka Pradesh Congress Committee president on the issue.

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> — DK Shivakumar, KPCC president

TO STREAMLINE

Cabinet panel discusses water use policy

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THE cabinet sub-committee on water resources, which is preparing a comprehensive master plan for water use, met under the chairmanship of Deputy Chief Minister Govind Karjol on Saturday. It was decided to prioritise five areas for water use — domestic and drinking purposes, irrigation, animal husbandry, power, industries and environment.

Presently, water use, based on availability, is being worked out at the rate of 55 litres per person per day in rural areas, 75 litres in urban areas and 90 litres in large cities like Bengaluru. The committee has given 15 days' times to the officials to come back with the details regarding the questions raised.

SETBACK FOR BSY AS COURT REJECTS CLOSURE REPORT IN LAND CASE

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IN another setback for Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa, a special court for cases related to elected representatives on Saturday dismissed the 'B-report that had been filed by the Lokayukta police seeking closure of investigation against him in a 15-year-old case relating to denotification of prime land in Bengaluru. The court also directed the Lokayukta police to expedite the investigation and furnish the final or additional report.

Judge Sridhar Gopalakrishna Bhat noted, "The B-report submitted by the investigating officer under Section 173(2) of the Criminal Procedure Code is hereby rejected. Consequently, acting under Section 156(3) of CrPC, the Deputy Superintendent of Police attached to the police wing of Karnataka Lokayukta, Bengaluru, is hereby directed to investigate the matter further in the light of the observation made in this order and to file a final report expeditiously as per law."

The court also reminded the investigating officer to keep in mind the observations made by the Karnataka High Court with regard to delay in conducting an investigation.

The case pertains to the denotification of prime land in 2006 in the erstwhile Bellandur and Devarabeesanahalli village limits, close to the Outer Ring Road on the Varthur-Whitefield IT corridor and valued at over Rs 100 crore.

The land was acquired in 2000-2001 for an IT park. However, in 2006-07, Yediyurappa who was the Deputy Chief Minister in the Janata Dal Secular-BJP coalition government, denotified the land, according to a private complaint lodged by Vasudeva Reddy with the Lokayukta court, alleging irregularities.

The court directed the Lokayukta police to register a case under the Prevention of Corruption Act, which was done on February 21, 2015.

In December 2020, Chief Minister Yediyurappa had filed a petition in the High Court seeking quashing of the case. He had contended that the High Court had quashed the same FIR against the then Industries minister and Congress leader R V Deshpande on October 9, 2015.

He told the court that the investigation against him based on the same FIR was illegal, but the court rejected his argument.

Dismissing the petition, Justice John Michael Cunha directed the police to intensify the investigation. The Lokayukta police then filed a B-report seeking closure of the investigation, which Reddy had challenged.

बैंक ऑफ़ बड़ौदा Bank of Baroda

Budigere Branch, Via-Sulibele, Devanahalli Taluk
Bangalore Rural District
Bangalore-562129,
E-mail :dbbudi@bankofbaroda.com,
Ph:080-27643224 SOL:-9190

SHIFTING NOTICE OF BRANCH & OFF SITE ATM PREMISES

By virtue of this notice, all customers of
e-Dena Bank , Budigere Branch
are hereby informed that the Present Branch Premises and Off Site ATM Premises will be relocated to New Premises w.e.f. ***05.07.2021***
: No.123/1A, V R Plaza, B H EXTENSION Bangalore Main road, Near Siddaganga High School Budigere Village, Devanahalli Taluk. Bangalore Rural Dist—562165, Karnataka

Place: Budigere
Date:03-07-2021

Sd/-
Branch Manager
Bank of Baroda, Budigere

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to bring to the notice of the general public that my client is intending to purchase the Schedule Property mentioned hereunder from **Mrs. B.P. GAYATHRI,** W/o. M.M. Prasanna Kumar. Any person/s objecting for the proposed purchase or are having any right, title, interest or any type of claim over the Schedule Property are hereby called upon to file their objections/claims what so ever along with documentary proof within 15 days from the date of publication of this notice with the under mentioned advocate failing which, my client shall proceed and complete the sale transaction with the above stated person.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece & parcel of the Non Agricultural Dry lands (1) bearing Survey No. 8/2, measuring 1 Acre 37 Guntas (2) Survey No. 7/2, measuring 03 Guants, both situated at Kasaba Nijagal Village, Sompura Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, and bounded on the : East by : Land belonging to Sri. Somanna, West by : Land bearing Survey No. 9, North by : Land belonging to Sri. Somanna & South by : National Highway No. 4.

UNNIKRISHNAN M., Advocate
No. 46, 1st 'A' Cross, AECS Layout,
(Near ISRO) RMV II Stage,
Bangalore - 560 094. **Mobile: 98441 38209.**

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF PLANT HEALTH MANAGEMENT
Dept. of Agri., Cooperation & FW, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, GOI
Rajendranagar, Hyderabad - 500 030, Telangana, INDIA. Telephone: 9140-24015374,
Tele-Fax : 9140-24015346, E-mail: niphm@nic.in, http://niphm.gov.in

WALK IN NOTIFICATION No.01/2021

National Institute of Plant Health Management invites applications for the contractual positions of **Senior Consultant (01), Research Associate (01), Senior Research Fellow (01) and Technical Assistant (01).**
The details of educational qualifications, experience, age and other eligibility criteria etc. along with application proforma may be accessed from web **http://niphm.gov.in.**

Sd/-
REGISTRAR i/c

INDIAN INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE EDUCATION AND RESEARCH, TIRUPATI
(An Autonomous Institute under Ministry of Education., Govt. of India)

RECRUITMENT FOR THE POST OF DEPUTY REGISTRAR

IISER Tirupati invites online applications from Indian nationals having excellent academic record and relevant work experience for the post of **Deputy Registrar** on regular basis.
For detailed advertisement, please visit **www.iisertirupati.ac.in** and **click on the link "Job Opportunities - Technical/ Administration".**
The last date for submission of online applications is **25th July, 2021.**

Advt. No.19/2021/IISER-T/Rect./03.07.2021
Sd/-
Registrar

PUBLIC NOTICE

The general public are hereby notified that I C. KAVITHA have lost the Original Sale Deed, dated 17.3.1981 executed Govindappa in favour of A. Mahadevan. The said Sale Deed is registered in the oiffice of the Sub-Registrar, Bangalore South Taluk, as No. 13316/1980-81, apges 215 to 217, Vol 1673 of Book I. Finders of the said Original documents and any person/s having objection/s or claims may with documentary evidence lodged their objection/claims within 7 days from the date of this notice with the undersigned

C. KAVITHA,
No. 14, Situated at Devarachikkanahalli
Village Begur Hobli, Bangalore
South Taluk, BENGALURU.

INDIAN COUNCIL OF MEDICAL RESEARCH
Websites: icmr.nic.in & pgimer.edu.in;
E-Mail: icmrexampgichd@gmail.com; Phone No: 0172-2755561.

NOTIFICATION - ICMR JRF 2021

The Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) in collaboration with Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education & Research (PGIMER), Chandigarh will hold National level Computer Based test (CBT) for award of Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) in Life science/Social science stream on **Sunday, September 12, 2021** at various cities across India.
Information brochure, online application form and other details will be available at both ICMR New Delhi website: **www.icmr.nic.in** and PGIMER website: **http://pgimer.edu.in** Tentative dates for filling of online application form will be from 01.07.2021 to 31.07.2021. Only online application will be accepted, no other mode of submission of application will be accepted. Aspiring candidates are requested to visit the above mentioned websites regularly for further updates.

Dated 25.06.2021 **Co-ordinator, ICMR-JRF Exam**

BANGALORE UNIVERSITY
The Registrar (Evaluation), Pareeksha Bhavana, Jnanabharathi, Bengaluru-560056.

No: EX-II DVS OUTSOURCE/MANPOWER/2021-22 Date: 02-07-2021

NOTIFICATION

Bangalore University invites quotations in two cover system i.e. Technical & Financial bids, from registered companies/firms to hire manpower to the Digital Valuation unit to scan answer booklets and OMR sheets of answer booklets at the Examination branch, Bangalore University, Jnanabharathi Campus, Bengaluru-560056, within 30 days of publication of this notification.
The specifications, Technical & Financial bid and terms and condition may be downloaded from the university **website: www.bangalaoreuniversity.ac.in** The bids are to be submitted to the **Superintendent, Examination branch - III, Pareeksha Bhavan Jnanabharathi Campus, Bangalore University, Bengaluru-560 056.** For any clarifications / queries **contact 080-22961210 or e-mail to regeval_ex3@bub.ernet.in**

Sd/-, REGISTRAR (EVALUATION)

BANGALORE UNIVERSITY
The Registrar (Evaluation), Pareeksha Bhavana, Jnanabharathi, Bengaluru-560056.

No: EX-II DVS OUTSOURCE/SCAN/2021-22 Date: 02-07-2021

NOTIFICATION

Bangalore University invites quotations in two cover system i.e. Technical & Financial bids, from registered companies / firms towards setting up of scanning unit with competent manpower to scan answer booklets and OMR sheets of answer booklets to the Examination branch, Bangalore University, Jnanabharathi Campus, Bengaluru-560056, within 30 days of publication of this notification.
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Sd/-, REGISTRAR (EVALUATION)

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IMPORTANT DATES	SCB	KVPY	JEE (Advanced)
Application Portal opens on	1st July 2021	1st July 2021	To be announced later
Last date for online applications	31st July 2021	31st July 2021	To be announced later
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POSSESSION NOTICE (For immovable property)
(RULE 8(1) OF SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES 2002)

WHEREAS The undersigned being the Authorized officer of **Union Bank of India** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act,2002 (Act 54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 of the Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, Union Bank of India issued **Demand Notice Dated: 06.04.2021** to the **Borrower: M/s.S.L.V.Infrastructures, Managing Partner: Mr.Suray Sri Harsha, Co-obligants : Suray Sri Harsha** and **N.Subramanyam Guarantors : S.V.Kumar** and **Suray Sujatha,** calling upon them to repay the amount of **Rs.59,22,519.28 (Rupees Fifty Nine Lakhs Twenty Two Thousand Five hundred Ninteen and Twenty Eight Paisa only) as on 31.03.2021** with subsequent interest, charges and costs as per the agreement(s) within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notices.
The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the properties described herein below in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (4) of the said Act read with rule 8 of the said rules on this **28-06-2021.**
The Borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Section 13(8) of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured asset.
The borrowers in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **Union Bank of India** for the amounts due from the borrower and interest thereon.

DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY
All the part and Parcel of residentially converted land belonging to Mr.J Devaraj,S/o Lt.J M Jayaram represented by his GPA holder, M/s SLV Infrastructures, represented by its Managing Partners1.Mr.Suray Sri Harsha,S/o S.Venkataramaiah,2.Mr.N Subramanyam,S/o N Subbarayudu bearing Sy.No.11/4,situated at Jakkur Village,Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore, an extent of totally measuring 0.33 Guntas or 39834.98 sft
Bounded by: East: BDA Property and K.V. Byregowda's Land, **West :** Road and House Building belongs to the owner herein in the same Sy.number, **North:** J.M.Chandrappa's Land bearing sy.no.11/4, **South :** Road and BDA Property and Land belongs to Lakhsmma and Smt.Muniyamam.
Property-1: Residential flat bearing No.011, in the Ground floor, measuring 1100sft,Super Built-up area in "SLV SERENITY" together with 347 sft undivided share of the land in above site.
Flat bounded by : East : Corridor, **West :** Open to Sky, **North :** Flat no.010, **South :** Corridor.
Property-2: Flat bearing No.017, in the Ground floor, measuring 1100sft, Super Built-up area in "SLV SERENITY" together with 347 sft undivided share of the land in above site.
Flat bounded by : East : Corridor, **West :** Devaraj Site, **North :** Flat no.016, South : Corridor.
Property-3: Flat bearing No.106, in the First floor, measuring 1214 sft, Super Built-up area in "SLV SERENITY" together with 383 sft undivided share of the land in above site.
Flat bounded by : East : Flat no.105, **West :** Flat no.107, **North :** Corridor, **South :** Rajagopal Property.
Property-4: Flat bearing No.107, in the First floor, measuring 1214 sft, Super Built-up area in "SLV SERENITY" together with 383 sft undivided share of the land in above site.
Flat bounded by : East : Flat no.106, **West :** Flat no.108, **North :** Corridor, **South :** Rajagopal Property.
Property-5: Flat bearing No.110, in the First floor, measuring 1190 sft, Super Built-up area in "SLV SERENITY" together with 375 sft undivided share of the land in above site.
Flat bounded by : East : Corridor, **West :** Flat no.115, **North :** Devaraj Site, **South :** Flat no.111.
Property-6: Flat bearing No.210, in the Second floor, measuring 1190 sft, Super Built-up area in "SLV SERENITY" together with 375 sft undivided share of the land in above site.
Flat bounded by : East : Corridor, **West :** Flat no.215, **North :** Devaraj Site, **South :** Flat no.111.
Property -7: Flat bearing No.212, in the Second floor, measuring 1214 sft, Super Built-up area in "SLV SERENITY" together with 383 sft undivided share of the land in above site.
Flat bounded by : East : Flat no.208, **West :** Flat no.213, **North :** Corridor, **South :** Rajagopal Property.
Property-8: Flat bearing No.213, in the Second floor, measuring 1214 sft, Super Built-up area in "SLV SERENITY" together with 383 sft undivided share of the land in above site.
Flat bounded by : East : Flat no.212, **West :** Flat no.214, **North :** Corridor, **South :** Rajagopal Property.
Property-9: Flat bearing No.301, in the third floor, measuring 1206 sft, Super Built-up area in "SLV SERENITY" together with 380 sft undivided share of the land in above site.
Flat bounded by : East : Srinivas Rao Property, **West :** Corridor, **North :** Devraj Site, **South :** Flat no.304.
Property-10: Flat bearing No.302, in the third floor, measuring 1190 sft, Super Built-up area in "SLV SERENITY" together with 375 sft undivided share of the land in above site.
Flat bounded by : East : Corridor, **West :** Flat no.309, **North :** Devraj Site, **South :** Flat no.303.
Property-11 Flat bearing No.303, in the third floor, measuring 1100 sft, Super Built-up area in "SLV SERENITY" together with 347 sft undivided share of the land in above site.
Flat bounded by : East : Corridor, **West :** Open to Sky, **North :** Flat no.302, **South :** Corridor.
Property-12: Flat bearing No.304, in the third floor, measuring 1172 sft, Super Built-up area in "SLV SERENITY" together with 370 sft undivided share of the land in above site.
Flat bounded by : East : Srinivas Rao Property, **West :** Corridor, **North :** Flat no.301, **South :** Flat no.305.

Date : 28.06.2021
Place: Madanapalli

Sd/- (Mude Chandrasekhar Naick)
Chief Manager & Authorised Officer, Madanapalli Branch

Government of India
Department of Atomic Energy
Bhabha Atomic Research Centre

Post Bag no.1.Yelwal, Mysore - 571130 Telephone: 0821-2406193/6592

NOTICE INVITING TENDER Date: 22/06/2021

The Chief Engineer, Bhabha Atomic Research Centre, Mysore invites for & on behalf of the President of India, item rate tenders fromeligible contractors for those having adequate experience and capabilities to execute similar works of such magnitude as detailed in this tender.

Tender Reference No.	BARC/CF/PO&M/ABK/WO/CHEM-CLEAN /2021/07
Name of work	Chemical Cleaning & Miscellaneous jobs in Building No.8, BARC, Mysuru.
Estimated Cost	₹ **4,20,000/-** (Rupees Four Lakh Twenty Thousand Only)
Period of Completion	**06 Months**
Earnest Money Deposit	NIL. Bid security declaration may please be provided as per format enclosed in hard copy addressed to DY.PM, CF/PO&M subscribing Tender No. on the sealed cover.
Security Deposit	2.5% of tendered value
Performance Guarantee	3.0% of tendered value
Cost of Tender Document	₹ **500/-** (Rupees Five hundred only) (Non-Refundable)
Tender Sale Period	From **05/07/2021 (10.30 hrs)** To **14/07/2021 (15.00 hrs)**
Due date & time for submission of Tender	**16-07-2021** up to **14.30 hrs**.
Date & time of opening of Tender	**16-07-2021** at **15.15 hrs.**
Place of Tender Submission	Tender Box No.3 located at Building No. 2, BARC, Yelwal, Mysore.

Chief Engineer
For & on behalf of the President of India

Union Bank of India
Malleshwaram Main Branch
South End Road, Mill Corner,
Seshadripuram, Bangalore-560020
Telephone-080-23561141

DEMAND NOTICE
UNDER SEC.13 (2) SARFAESI Act 2002

Enforcement of security interest action Notice in connection with the credit facilities enjoyed by the following borrowers, classified as Non Performing Asset(NPA)

We have to inform you that you whose names and address mentioned herein below had availed loan from **Union Bank Of India, Malleshwaram Main Branch,** Your said loan account has been classified as NPA pursuant to your default in making repayment of dues/interest. Individual notices have been sent by Bank to you demanding the dues payable by you in the account and the details are as under:

1. Name and Address of the Borrower: Lakshmi Silk Palace Karnataka Pvt Ltd #475,Nanjundi Arcade, II Main, Sampige Road, Malleshwaram, Bangalore -560072. **Shri. K.P. Nanjundi Vishwakarma Director, Lakshmi Silk Palace Karnataka Pvt Ltd** #475,Nanjundi Arcade, II Main, Sampige Road, Malleshwaram, Bangalore -560072. **Smt. Channajammani Siddachar Director, Lakshmi Silk Palace Karnataka Pvt Ltd** #475,Nanjundi Arcade, II Main, Sampige Road, Malleshwaram, Bangalore -560072. **Guarantor: Shri. K K S Rajan,** #69/1, 3rd Main, 6th Cross, Ramachandrapuram, Bangalore. **Sri.M.K.Ramakrishna,** 73/2 Vasavi Nilaya, 5th Main, Devanathachar Street, Chamrajpet, Bangalore.

Name of Facility Amount Due

Facility	Limit Sanctioned (Rs.)	Applicable Rate of interest	Running Ledger O/S (Rs.)	Interest payable In Rs.	Total dues 05.05.21 in Rs.
TL 005	22,28,337/-	11.20 %	22,50,267/-	1,15,359/-	23,65,626/-
CCGEN	3,75,00,000/-	8.90 %	3,88,45,487/-	11,40,820/-	3,99,86,307/-
Total					4,23,51,933

Amount Outstanding : as on 05.05.2021, of **Rs.4,23,51,933/-** (Rupees Four Crore Twenty Three Lakh Fifty One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty Three only) together with interest

NPA as on. 01.03.2021 Demand Notice Date : 05.05.2021

Description of The Secured Assets : (1) Hypothecation of stock/ book debts and entire current assets of the company. **(2)** Hypothecation of movable fixed assets of the firm (both existing and future). **(3)** All that piece and parcel of commercial property In the name of Shri.K.P. Nanjundi Vishwakarma, S/o Shri.Kullachari and Smt. Channajammani Siddachar, bearing clubbed Corporation No.475, BBMP-PID No.6-20-475 (Old No.475, 475/1, 475/2,475/3,475/4) and still old no.2216 and still old no.1761) situated at 2nd Main Road, Sampige Road, Malleshwaram, Bangalore - 560003 measuring East to West 120 feet, North to South 30 feet in all measuring 3600 square feet with building standing thereon and bounded on the East by: Conservancy Lane, West: 2nd Main Road (Sampige Road), North by: Private Property, South by: Private Property.

Please note that if you fail to remit the dues within 60 days and if the Bank exercises all its rights under this Act and if the dues are not fully satisfied with the sale of the proceeds of the secured assets, we shall be constrained to take appropriate legal action against you in a court of law/Debt Recovery Tribunal for recovery of the balance amount from you.

You are requested to note that as per Section 13(13) of the Act, on receipt of this notice you are restrained/ prevented from disposing of or dealing with the above securities except in the usual course of business without the consent of the bank. Please also note that any violation of this section entails serious consequences.

Please also note that as per section 13(8) of the Act, you may redeem the secured asset by remitting the amount demanded above together with all costs, charges and expenses incurred to us, at any time before the date of publication of notice for public auction or inviting quotations or tenders from public or private treaty for transfer by way of lease , assignment or sale of the secured asset(s).

Date : 03.07.2021 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place : Bangalore **Union Bank of India**

Union Bank of India
BVK Iyengar Road Branch
No 210 / 211, Sri Nanjundappa Complex,
R T Street Bengaluru 560053
Email : bvkiroad@unionbankofindia.com,
Phone 080- 22958202

DEMAND NOTICE
UNDER SEC.13 (2) SARFAESI Act 2002

Enforcement of security interest action Notice in connection with the credit facilities enjoyed by the following borrowers, classified as Non Performing Asset(NPA)

We have to inform you that you whose names and address mentioned herein below had availed loan from **Union Bank Of India, BVK Iyengar Road Branch,** Your said loan account has been classified as NPA pursuant to your default in making repayment of dues/interest. Individual notices have been sent by Bank to you demanding the dues payable by you in the account and the details are as under:

1. Name and Address of the Borrower: Mr. V Shankar, No.106, 1st Main Road, 2nd Cross, 3rd Phase, B S K 3rd Stage, 4th Block, Bangalore 560085. **Manjula C,**No.106, 1st Main Road, 2nd Cross, 3rd Phase, B S K 3rd Stage, 4th Block, Bangalore 560085.

Name of Facility Amount Due

Facility	Limit Sanctioned (Rs.)	Applicable Rate of interest	Running Ledger O/S (Rs.)	Interest payable In Rs.	Total dues 31.03.21 in Rs.
HOMELOAN	35,00,000.00	7.85%	28,70,532.30	76,528.00	29,47,060.30

Amount Outstanding : as on 31.03.2021, of **Rs.29,47,060,30/-** (Rupees Twenty Nine Lakhs Forty Seven Thousand Sixty and Thirty Paisa only) together with interest from **01.04.2021.**

NPA as on. 31.03.2021 Demand Notice Date : 03.04.2021

Description of The Secured Assets : All that piece and parcel of the immovable Property bearing No.8, Khatha No.5, Municipal No. 5/8, situated at 20th Main, Avalahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South taluk, measuring East to West : 45 feet and North to South : 29 feet in all measuring 1305 Sq.Ft thereon and Bounded on: East by: Property No, 9, West by: Road, North by: Road, South by: Southern portion of Same Property

2. Name and Address of the Borrower: Mr. G Rangaswamy, No.133, Melukote Nilaya Assessment No. ¾, 11th Cross, Adjacent To MPM Layout, Mallathahalli Lake Road, Mallathahalli Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore 560091

Name of Facility Amount Due

Facility	Limit Sanctioned (Rs.)	Applicable Rate of interest	Running Ledger O/S (Rs.)	Interest payable In Rs.	Total dues 31.03.21 in Rs.
HOMELOAN	50,00,000.00	8.35%	46,57,402.62	5,28,698.06	51,86,100.68

Amount Outstanding : as on 31.03.2021, of **Rs. 51,86,100,68/-** (Rupees Fifty One Lakhs Eighty Six Thousand One Hundred and Sixty Eight Paisa only) together with interest from **01.04.2021.**

NPA as on. 31.03.2021 Demand Notice Date : 03.04.2021

Description of The Secured Assets : All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing No,3/4, Assessment No. 3/4, situated at Mallathahalli Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North taluk, now within limits of BBMP, Rajarajeshwari Nagar sub district, Bangalore measuring East to West : 40 feet and North to South : 60 feet in all measuring 2400 Sq.Ft thereon and Bounded on: East by : Road, West by : Private Property, North by : T.Narayana's Property, South by : Road.

Please note that if you fail to remit the dues within 60 days and if the Bank exercises all its rights under this Act and if the dues are not fully satisfied with the sale of the proceeds of the secured assets, we shall be constrained to take appropriate legal action against you in a court of law/Debt Recovery Tribunal for recovery of the balance amount from you.

You are requested to note that as per Section 13(13) of the Act, on receipt of this notice you are restrained/ prevented from disposing of or dealing with the above securities except in the usual course of business without the consent of the bank. Please also note that any violation of this section entails serious consequences.

Please also note that as per section 13(8) of the Act, you may redeem the secured asset by remitting the amount demanded above together with all costs, charges and expenses incurred to us, at any time before the date of publication of notice for public auction or inviting quotations or tenders from public or private treaty for transfer by way of lease , assignment or sale of the secured asset(s).

Date : 03.07.2021 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place : Bangalore **Union Bank of India**

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client Sri. H.R. Muni Reddy, Son of Rama Reddy, he along with his children are the absolute owners of the owners share of Sites formed in **Sy.No. 49/1** in the layout known as **NIMRITHA GREEN COUNTY,** situated at Halanayakanahalli Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk (previously called as Bangalore South Taluk), Bangalore District, and he has lost the Original General Power of Attorney dated 08.09.2015 registered as Document No.00519/2015-16, registered in the Office of the Sub-Registrar Shivajinagar (Indiranagar) Bangalore, executed by his children in his favour while shifting his residence in the same locality at Halanayakanahalli, if any person got it, kindly return to my client or Bellandur Police Station, Bangalore.

VEENA B., Advocate
1556 & 1557, 19th Main Road, HSR Layout, Sector-1, Bangalore - 560102.

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client Sri. R. Krishna Murthy, Son of Radha Krishna Reddy, being the Developer of **Sy.No. 49/1** in the layout known as **NIMRITHA GREEN COUNTY,** situated at Halanayakanahalli Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk (previously called as Bangalore South Taluk), Bangalore District, and he has lost the Original General Power of Attorney dated 06.07.2013 registered as Document No.0082/2013-14 and Joint Development Agreement dated 06.07.2013 registered as Document No.01791/2013-14 both registered in the Office of the Sub-Registrar Shivajinagar (Varthur) Bangalore, executed by Sri. H.R. Muni Reddy & others while shifting from office to his residence in the same locality at Halanayakanahalli, if any person got it, kindly return to my client or Bellandur Police Station, Bangalore.

VEENA B., Advocate
1556 & 1557, 19th Main Road, HSR Layout, Sector-1, Bangalore - 560102.

Union Bank of India
South End Circle Branch
#3, 6th Main Road, 4th Block,
Jayanagar, Bangalore-560011
Tel No. 080-22959622

DEMAND NOTICE
UNDER SEC.13 (2) SARFAESI Act 2002

Enforcement of security interest Action Notice-In connection with the credit facilities enjoyed by the following borrowers with in the branches mentioned herein below-classified as NPA.

We have to inform you that you whose Name & Address mentioned here in below had availed following credit facilities from **Union Bank of India, South End Circle Branch, Bangalore** offering the property, mentioned here in below. Since you have failed to repay the loan amounts as agreed by you, your following mentioned account/s has/have been classified as Non Performing Assets [NPA] as on the date mentioned herein below. The individual notice has been also already sent to you demanding the due amount.

1. Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: 1. Mr. Praveen Jayakumar, Resident Address: No.108, 2nd Floor, 13th Cross, Near Deepa Store, Arvind Nagar, Oil Mill Road, Bangalore-560084. **Present Resident Address:** No.173, 7th Cross, ITC Colony, Behind ITC MUD Fort, Opp. Purvankar Apartment, Jeevanahalli, Bangalore-560005. **Office Address: M/s SLS Production Equipment (Lighting Technician),** Office No. 2304, Aspin commercial Tower, Sheikh Zayed Road, Dubai-Post Box No. 32760. **Mrs. Veena Mary, Resident Address:** No.108, 2nd Floor, 13th Cross, Near Deepa Store, Arvind Nagar, Oil Mill Road, Bangalore 560084. **Present Resident Address:** No. 173, 7th Cross, ITC Colony, Behind ITC MUD Fort, Opp. Purvankar Apartment, Jeevanahalli, Bangalore-560005.

Name of Facility Amount Due

Sl.No.	Facility/Loan	Limits	During	Outstanding as on 31.03.2021
1	HLGEN	Rs 75,00,000.00	2018	Rs.78,90,485.20/-

Amount Outstanding : as on 31.03.2021, Rs.78,90,485.20 (Rupees Seventy Eight Lakhs Ninety Thousand Four Hundred Eight Five and Twenty Paise only) together with interest.

Classified as NPA as on. 31.03.2021 Demand Date : 30.06.2021

Description of the Secured Assets:

All that piece and parcel of Residential building (G+1), Property muncipal No.8/173, PID No. 86-82/173 belonging to Mr. Praveen Jayakumar and Mrs. Veena mary (Owner of the Property), situated at ITC Colony, Jeevanahalli, Bengaluru, Bruhath Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike, Ward No. 86, Maruthi Sevanagar, Bangalore-560005 measuring East to West :12 Meters and North to South 7.95 Meters, in all 95.4 Square Meters and bounded by East - House No. 184, West - Road, North - House No. 172, South - House No. 174.

If you fail to repay the aforesaid sum with interest and incidental expenses within 60 days from the date of this notice, Bank shall exercise all or any of the rights detailed under sub section (4) of the section 13 of the SARFAESI Act. You are also put on notice that in terms of sub section 13 of section 13, you shall not transfer by sale, lease or otherwise the said secured assets detailed above without obtaining written consent of the Bank. This notice is without prejudice to the Banks rights to initiate such other action or legal proceedings as it deem necessary under any other applicable provisions of law. Your kind attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the SARFAESI in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Date : 30.06.2021 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place : Bangalore **Union Bank of India**

Union Bank of India
South End Circle Branch
#3, 6th Main Road, 4th Block,
Jayanagar, Bangalore-560011
Tel No. 080-22959622

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1. Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: M/s. Avhni Abode, Office Address: No.126(17), Doss Capital, 2nd Floor, 33rd Cross, 11th Main, 4th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore - 560 011, **Partner 1: Mr. K Vijaya Prasad Reddy** Resident Address : No.35, Akshyah, 4th Floor, 3rd Cross, 5th main, BOB Colony, J P Nagar, Bangalore-560078 **Present Resident Address:** Eternity Elite, Flat No-202, 1st Cross, First Floor, OAKS Layout, JP Nagar, 7th Phase, Near Holy Mother School, Hemagiri apartment, Bangalore-560078, **Office Address:** No.126(17), Doss Capital, 2nd Floor, 33rd Cross, 11th Main, 4th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore - 560 011, **Partner 2: Mrs. Kasturi C V, Resident Address :** No.35, Akshyah, 4th Floor, 3rd Cross, 5th Main, BOB Colony, J P Nagar, Bangalore-560078, **Present Resident Address:** Eternity Elite, Flat No-202, 1st Cross, First Floor, OAKS Layout, JP Nagar, 7th Phase, Near Holy Mother School, Hemagiri apartment, Bangalore-560078, **Office Address:** No.126(17), Doss Capital, 2nd Floor, 33rd Cross, 11th Main, 4th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore - 560 011, **Guarantor/s: M/s. Eternity Structures Pvt Ltd, Office Address:** No.126(17), Doss Capital, 2nd Floor, 33rd Cross, 11th Main, 4th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore - 560 011, **Director 1: Mr. K Vijaya Prasad Reddy Resident Address :** No.35, Akshyah, 4th Floor, 3rd Cross, 5th main, BOB Colony, J P Nagar, Bangalore-560078, **Present Resident Address:** Eternity Elite, Flat No-202, 1st Cross, First Floor, OAKS Layout, JP Nagar, 7th Phase, Near Holy Mother School, Hemagiri apartment, Bangalore-560078, **Office Address:** No.126(17), Doss Capital, 2nd Floor, 33rd Cross, 11th Main, 4th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore - 560 011, **Director 2: Mrs. Kasturi C V, Resident Address :** No.35, Akshyah, 4th Floor, 3rd Cross, 5th Main, BOB Colony, J P Nagar, Bangalore-560078, **Present Resident Address:** Eternity Elite, Flat No-202, 1st Cross, First Floor, OAKS Layout, JP Nagar, 7th Phase, Near Holy Mother School, Hemagiri apartment, Bangalore-560078, **Office Address:** No.126(17), Doss Capital, 2nd Floor, 33rd Cross, 11th Main, 4th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore - 560 011.

Name of Facility Amount Due

Sl.No.	Facility/Loan	Limits	During	Outstanding as on 31.03.2021
1	ODCC	Rs.90,00,000.00	2020-2021	Rs.91,61,530.00
2	FITL	Rs.5,11,703.00	2020-2021	Rs.04,04,953.00
	Total			Rs.95,66,483.00

Amount Outstanding : as on 31.03.2021, Rs.95,66,483.00 (Rupees Ninety Five Lakhs Sixty Six Thousand Four Hundred Eighty Three only) together with interest.

Classified as NPA as on. 31.03.2021 Demand Date : 30.06.2021

Description of the Secured Assets:

1. Residential Flat No. 202, First Floor , "Eternity Elite" belonging to **Mr. K Vijaya Prasad Reddy** (Owner of the Property), measuring 1350 Sq. Feet along with common areas such as passages, lobbies, lifts, staircase, other areas for common and one car parking with 284 sq. ft. of undivided right, title and interest in the immovable property and ownership in the ,multi -storied building constructed on the property bearing Sy. No. 33 & 34, measuring East to West: 60 feet and North to South: 47 feet in all measuring 2820 sq. feet, bearing House list No. 84, BBMP Khatha No. K.T.R 180/2009-10, Sl. No. 465, 93,33&34, Old Gramatana Khatha No. 93, situated at Puttenahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk and bounded by **Flat Bounded by:** East by : Flat No. 201, West by : Set Back, North by :Road , South by :Set Back. **Site Bounded by:** East: Property bearing No.35, West: Property bearing No.31, North: Road, South : Property Bearing No.25 & 26 in B Block.

2. Residential Flat No. 402, Third Floor , "Eternity Elite" belonging to **Mr. K Vijaya Prasad Reddy** (Owner of the Property), measuring 1350 Sq. Feet along with common areas such as passages, lobbies, lifts, staircase, other areas for common and one car parking with 284 sq. ft. of undivided right, title and interest in the immovable property and ownership in the ,multi - storied building constructed on the property bearing Sy. No. 33 & 34, measuring East to West: 60 feet and North to South: 47 feet in all measuring 2820 sq. feet, bearing House list No. 84, BBMP Khatha No. K.T.R 180/2009-10, Sl. No. 465, 93,33&34, Old Gramatana Khatha No. 93, situated at Puttenahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk and bounded by **Flat Bounded by:** East by :Flat No. 401, West by :Set Back, North by : Road , South by: Set Back. **Site Bounded by:** East: Property bearing No.35, West: Property bearing No.31, North: Road, South : Property Bearing No.25 & 26 in B Block.

If you fail to repay the aforesaid sum with interest and incidental expenses within 60 days from the date of this notice, Bank shall exercise all or any of the rights detailed under sub section (4) of the section 13 of the SARFAESI Act. You are also put on notice that in terms of sub section 13 of section 13, you shall not transfer by sale, lease or otherwise the said secured assets detailed above without obtaining written consent of the Bank. This notice is without prejudice to the Banks rights to initiate such other action or legal proceedings as it deem necessary under any other applicable provisions of law. Your kind attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the SARFAESI in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Date : 30.06.2021 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place : Bangalore **Union Bank of India**

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client H.A. Krishnareddy S/o Late Atthi Reddy, Aged about 72 years, R/a No. 202/1, 95 'B' Cross, BTM 1st Stage, Near Vijaya Bank, Madivala, Bangalore - 560068 has filed a suit in OS. No. 269/2020, on the file of 1st Addl Civil Judge Junior Division at Anekal in respect of 30 ft wide road situated in Sy.No. 179 gomal land of S.Bingipura Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District, East by : S. Bingipura Lake, West by: road leading to Begur to Koppa Main Road, North by: property in Sy.No. 196, South by: remaining property in Sy.No. 195 against 1. Kushal Kumar Surani, 2. Preeyesh Kumar Surani, 3. Dharamshi Patel 4. Mohanlal .B. Patel, 5. Jaya. M. Patel, 6. Sailesh kumar and their agent viz., Raju.K.A. who deliberately by creating documents tried to interfere and block the said road and the Hon'ble court as granted injunctive / prohibitory order against the said person, the said road is a government road leading to Kalikadevi and Muneshwara Temples. The said persons by manipulating documents are trying to alienate the said road, hence my client hereby caution the general public to restrain from dealing in respect of the said property with the said persons, despite the said caution in the event any person or persons whomsoever transact in respect of the said property shall do at their own cost and risk and my client shall not be responsible for any such misadventures.

R. LOKESH, Advocate
Having office at #28/2/27, opp to Sri Sai Ram College, Somasundrapalya Main Road, HSR Extension, Bangalore - 560 102.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The public in general is hereby informed that **Sri. Amogha.C.Basappa** S/O C.M.Basappa as agreed to sell the house property bearing **No.517 PID No 74-1517** BBMP Ward No.74, situated at HAL 2nd stage, extension Indiranagar Bangalore-560038 consisting Duplex house measuring East to west 57 Feet and North to South 40 feet and bounded on **East by:** Property No 520, **West by:** Road **North by:** Property No.516 **South by:** Property No.518 Sri. Amogha claims that he is the absolute owner of the said property Any person having any rights, title, claims, or interest in the said property by way of sale, inheritance, succession, mortgage, lien, lease, gift, or otherwise howsoever in respect of the same shall intimate the objection in writing to the under signed with supporting documents here of within 3 days from the date of publication of this notice or else any such claims by anyone shall not be considered and shall be deemed to have been waved and abundance and no claims shall be entertained thereafter.

Sri N.Vasanth Kumar and Associates Advocates
No.11, 8th cross, Cubbonpet, Bangalore-02. Mob : **9980024950**
Email : advnvasanth66@gmail.com
Place : Bangalore
Date : 04.07.2021

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Bhabha Atomic Research Centre

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NOTICE INVITING TENDER

The Chief Engineer/Superintending Engineer, Bhabha Atomic Research Centre, Mysuru invites on behalf of the President of India, Sealed item rate tenders from experienced Contractors with sound financial & technical capacity for the following work(s):

Tender Reference No.	BARC(M)/MYS/PO&M/RK/ WT-4/2021-22
Name of work	**Scope of work:** The entire scope of work involves service , maintenance and load testing once in a year load testing to be carried out, preventive maintenance 12 times in a year (6 elevator monthly once), attending to breakdown maintenance in a short notice period .
Estimated Cost	₹ **4,50,000/-** (Rupees Four Lakh fifty thousand only)
Period of Completion	**12 (Twelve) Months**
Earnest Money Deposit	**Nil**
Tender Sale Period	From **05 /07/ 2021** to **14 /07/2021** between **10:00 Hrs &16:00 hrs**

Sd /-Chief Engineer, BARC
For & on behalf of President of India

MANDYA DIST. CO-OPERATIVE MILK PRODUCER'S SOCIETIES UNION LTD.

E-Mail: manmulpurchase@gmail.com, Tele: 08232–274571

IFT NO: MMU/PUR/E-Procu./Tender-07/2021-22 Date: 01-07-2021

TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through E-procurement portal only)

Mandya Milk Union Ltd. invites e-Tenders for Supply of Cow Mats Qty-15000 Nos.

Interested tenderers may please refer detail notice inviting tender for eligibility criteria & other details. Tenderers can downloaded documents from: **02-07-2021,** Last date of submission of tender: **31.08.2021** at 17.00 hrs, Pre Bid Meeting: **30.07.2021** at 11.30 hrs, Date of Technical opening: **02.09.2021** after 11.30 hrs & Commercial Bid opening will be intimated. Interested Tenderer's may download bidding documents from the e-procurement portal **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** / website: **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in** and also contact helpline No: 080-25501227/25501216, e-mail:hphelpdesk.blr@intarvo.com.

For more information contact Manager (Purchase), Mobile No: 9513888247

Sd/-
MANAGING DIRECTOR

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE
Office of the Executive Engineer, (Ele),
Yalahanka Zone, Bengaluru.

No: BBMP/EE/ELE/YZ/TND/01/2021-22 Date: 03.07.2021

CORRIGENDUM-1

Sub: Tender Notification No: BBMP/EE/ELE/YZ/TND/01/2021-22 Date: 03.06.2021

This notification is in continuation of the Notice Inviting Tender published by Executive Engineer Electrical, Yalahanka Zone on **03.06.2021** for the following works at its office located at Ballari Road Bayatarayanapura eligible Bidders modified clauses shall be read as follows.

Scheduled Date	Modified Date
Tenders must be submitted online through e-procurement portal on or before **06.07.2021** upto **4:00** pm and Technical Bid/Tender Shall be Opened on **08.07.2021** at **4:00** pm.	Tenders must be submitted online through e-procurement portal on or before **07.08.2021** upto **4:00** pm and Technical Bid/Tender Shall be Opened on **10.08.2021** at **4:00** pm.

All other tender conditions remain unchanged. Further details and tender document are available on e-Procurtement Portal.

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
Electrical Division, Yalahanka Zone

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Tumakuru City Corporation, Tumakuru

Website: www.tumkurcity.mrc.gov.in Phone No: 2278480, Fax: 2275106 e-mail : itstaff_ulb_tumkur@yahoo.com Grievance: 0816-2272200, 2271200

No:TCC/HS/CR-23/2021-22 DATED: 02.07.2021

Tender Notification

The Commissioner, Tumakuru City Corporation, Tumakuru invites tenders as per the KTPP act 1999-2000 through e-Procurement portal For supplying 02 vehicles/Machinery required for the transportation and maintenance of Solid waste required by the Tumkur City Corporation for Health Section under the Swachh Bharat Mission Fund Eligibele Supplier can participate in the Tender. For more information go to website: www.tumkurcity.gov.in Indent no: DMA/2021-22/Indent_12227 and DMA/2021-22/Indent_ 12230.

Contractors can download and submit the tenders through e-Procurement portal www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in. Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) and Tender Processing Fee shall also be paid electronically. Calendar of Events and other information are as follows: (1) Date of receipt of Tenders : **02.07.2021** to **31.07.2021** (2) Last Date for Submission of Tenders: **31.07.2021** at 04.30 PM (3) Pre-Bid meeting Date: **23.07.2021** at 11.00 AM (4) Date of Opening of Tenders: **02.08.2021** at 11.00 AM. Postponement of calendar of events (if any) is only e-Procurement portal and will not be published in news papers.

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
Tumakur City Corporation Tumakuru

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KARNATAKA NEERAVARI NIGAM LIMITED
(A Government of Karnataka Enterprises)

Office of the Executive Engineer KNNL UTP Division,Shivamogga.
Phone No:08182-254832 Fax : 08182-254832
E-mail: eeutpsmg@gmail.com

1.EE/UTPDN/SMG/KNNL/PB-2/2021-22 T.N.NO-12
Dt: 28.06.2021

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through e-Procurement only)

On Behalf of the Managing Director, KNNL, Bengaluru, the Under signed invites tender Through eportal system from Eligible contractors for Extension of pipeline in Tarikere taluk under Umbrani-Amruthapura LIS.

1) Apprx. Amount put to tender as per estimation is Rs. 910.49 lakhs **2)** Last date for questions/clarifications regarding the tender: 08.07.2021 up to 17.30hrs. **3)** Date for Submission of filled tenders from 03.07.2021 to 14.07.2021 up to 17.30 hrs (During office Hours)

Further details on date of opening the Tender /Detail of work E.M.D. Amount/Terms and Conditions of the tender/ Class of Contractor, Etc, can be obtained in the Tender Notification or from the office of the Under signed during office hours or in website Https:\\eproc. Karanataka. Gov.in for further details the office of the Undersigned can be contacted during office hours on phone no.08182254832 from 03.07.2021 Information can be obtained through http:\www.eproc.Karanataka.gov.in

Sd/- Executive Engineer,'
KNNL UTP Division, Shivamogga.

DIPR/smg/No.13/06/mca/21-22

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THE BHAVASARA KSHATRIYA CO-OPERATIVE BANK LIMITED
Head Office: "Sahakara Sadana", No.63/67, 24th Cross, Kilari Road, Bengaluru-560 053, Phone: 080-22972781/82

POSSESSION NOTICE (IMMOVABLE PROPERTY)
(Under Rule 8(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002)

Whereas the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of The Bhavasara Kshatriya Co-operative Bank Limited, " Sahakara Sadana" No.63/67, 24th Cross, Kilari Road, Bengaluru-560 053 defined as per Rule 2(a) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002, issued Demand Notice under Section 13 (2) of the above Act calling upon the borrowers and legal heir/s and they having failed to repay the demanded amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower/s and legal heir/s and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13 (4) read with Rule 9 of the said Act and actual position is being taken by undersigned. The borrower/s legal heir/s and the public in general is/are hereby cautioned not to deal with the following property/s and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of The Bhavasara Kshatriya Co-operative Bank Limited, Bangalore.

Sl No.	Name of the borrower and property address	Description of the immovable property	Total Balance Due
	HEAD OFFICE BRANCH		
01	1. Sri.Dayanand Hegde No.15/2, situated at Cholanayakanahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, now coming under BBMP Ward No.22, situated at 1st Cross Road, Viswanathanagenahalli New Extension, Bangalore,	SCHEDULE " A " PROPERTY All that part and parcel of the immovable property bearing No.15/2, situated at Cholanayakanahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, now coming under BBMP Ward No.22, situated at 1st Cross Road, Viswanathanagenahalli New Extension, Bangalore, totally measuring 7340 square feet and bounded on East by :1st Cross Road West by :Private Property North by :Private Property South by:Property belonging to P Dasharath & P Gopal SCHEDULE " B" PROPERTY (Description of undivided Share) 297.90 square feet of undivided share, right, title, interest and ownership in the Schedule -A Property. SCHEDULE " C" PROPERTY All that the piece and parcel of flat No.G-3(103), Ground Floor, " Siri Residency" Municipal No.½, 1st cross, Papanna Layout, Vishwanathanagenahalli, R T Nagar Post, Bengaluru 560 032 in all shares along with one car parking space in the basement floor for exclusive use of the purchaser, inclusive of proportionate share in the common areas such as passage, lobbies, lift, staircase and other common areas along with BESCOM/KPTCL and BWSSB/Sanitary deposit including common areas and facilities attributable thereto. The building is of RCC roofing and vitrified tiles flooring and jungle doors and windows including water and sanitary fitments ans electical switches and bounded on East by :Flat No. G2 (102) West by : Flat No. G4 (104), North by : Flat No. G5 (105) South by: Property No.14/1, belonging to Chandrashekar Possession Taken on 01.07.2021	As on 22.06.2021 Rs.38,61,856-00
02	1.Smt.Punithavathi, 2.Sri.Luther Armstrong G, 3.Sri.Christy J 4.Sri.Satish G No.11/1, Old No.11, situated at 15th cross, Sagayapuram, Bangalore, presently coming under the jurisdiction of BBMP Ward No.60 of Sagayapuram, with PID No.90-24-11/1	Measuring : East to West :11.6 feet North to South : 36.9 feet Bounded on the East by : Private Property West by : Common passage North by : Road South by: Property of Sri.Jnanodayam G Possession Taken on 01.07.2021	As on 22.06.2021 Rs.21,19,951-00
03	1. Smt.Savitha 2. Sri.Puneeth H BDA No.493, Municipal No.33, Old No.493, situated at 6th Block, 10th F Main, Rajajinagar, Bangalore, presently coming under the jurisdiction of BBMP Ward No.21 of Industrial Town with PID No.21-4-33/1	Measuring : East to West :40 feet North to South:30 feet Bounded on the East by : Road West by : Property No.473 North by : Property No.492 South by: Property No.494 passage therein Possession Taken on 01.07.2021	As on 22.06.2021 Rs.23,19,342-00
04	Sri .Manju George M New Municipal BBMP No.9, Old No.32, formed out of Sy.No.8/1 of Yeshwanthpur Village, situated at 2nd cross Road, 3rd Main Gokul 1st stage, Yeshwanthpura, Bangalore, coming under the Jurisdiction of BBMP Ward No.3 of Yeshwanthpur with PID No.3-9-6	Measuring :East to West :30 feet North to South: 45 feet Bounded on the East by : Site No.33 West by : Site No.31 North by : Road South by: Gundaraya'a property Possession Taken on 01.07.2021	As on 22.06.2021 Rs.39,89,101-00
05	1. Sri.Dwarkanath G M 2. Smt.Indhu G D Immovable property bearing (Eastern portion) BBMP Khatha No.256/717 Site No.206/202/1, (formed in Survey Nos.98,99,100 and 101) 6th cross, Ashwathnagar, Munnekolalu village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, PID No.086-W0069-5	Measuring East to West :20 feet North to South: 30 feet Bounded on the East by : Site No.207 West by : Western portion of the same property gifted to Sri.G M Kumar Babu. North by : Road South by: Site No.198 Possession Taken on 01.07.2021	As on 25.6.2021 Rs.41,08,727-00
06	1. Sri.Kumar Babu G M 2. Smt.Radha G Immovable property consisting of land and building (western portion) of property situated on No.256/717, site No.206/202 (formed in survey No.98,99, 100 and 101), 6th cross, Ashwath nagar, Munnekolalu Village,Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore, BBMP Ward No.86 of Marathhalli with PID No.086-W0069-5	Measuring: East to West :20 feet North to South: 30 feet Bounded on the East by: Eastern portion of the same property gifted to Sri.Dwarkanath G M West by : Site No.205 North by : Road South by: Site No.198 Possession Taken on 01.07.2021	As on 25.6.2021 Rs.51,58,197-00

Place: Bengaluru Sd/- Authorised Officer
Date: 01.07.2021 The Bhavasara Kshatriya Co-operative Bank Ltd., Bengaluru

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Eight Bangladeshi nationals, who allegedly entered into India illegally, were nabbed from Vijayawada and Rajamahendravaram railway stations late on Friday night. The arrested were not have valid passports and were in possession of fake Aadhaar and PAN cards

BSY WRITES TO STALIN ON MEKEDATU, CALLS FOR TALKS

Seeks cooperation, better relationship between two states, says implementation of reservoir, drinking water project will benefit both

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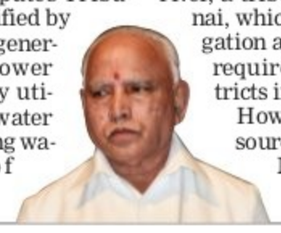
CHIEF Minister BS Yediyurappa on Saturday wrote to his Tamil Nadu counterpart M K Stalin over the Mekedatu reservoir project. In his two-page letter, Yediyurappa called for cooperation between the two states and suggested bilateral meetings to address any apprehension about the balancing reservoir-cum-drinking water project.

"I am to state that it would be in the interest of all concerned and to have better relationship between the state of Karnataka and the state of Tamil Nadu, if the Tamil Nadu government, in the right spirit, would not oppose the implementation of the project," the letter read, while batting for the project.

Making a fresh bid to resolve the Mekedatu issue, which has been pending for many years, Yediyurappa said the project will immensely benefit both the states. He insisted that the implementation of the project will "in no way affect the interests of the farmers of Tamil Nadu."

He also pointed out that Tamil Nadu has sought clearance for two hydro-power projects - Kundah and Sillahalla pumped storage projects - in the Bhavani sub-basin, but had not sought consent from Karnataka. Yediyurappa highlighted that the Mekedatu balancing reservoir is contemplated to regulate flow of water to Tamil Nadu as stipulated in the final orders of the Cauver Water Disputes Tribunal and later modified by Supreme Court to generate 400 MW of power and to additionally utilise 4.75 tmcft of water to meet the drinking water needs of Karnataka.



TN objects to dam in K'taka across Markandeya

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@ Chennai

ANOTHER inter-State water dispute with neighbouring Karnataka has assumed centre-stage on Saturday with political parties protesting against a new dam built across Markandeya river, a tributary of Thenpennai, which would affect irrigation and drinking water requirements of six districts in Tamil Nadu.

However, Water Resources Minister Durai Murugan has said the dispute would be resolved through a tribunal.

Referring to reports that Karnataka has completed the construction of a dam at Yarkol village across the Markandeya, Durai Murugan said the State would urge the Union government to constitute an inter-State Water Disputes Tribunal expeditiously to resolve the dispute.

"The Tamil Nadu government, in its communication dated June 29 to the Union Jal Shakti Ministry, had reiterated its demand for early constitution of the Tribunal. The new dam by Karnataka will affect irrigation in 870 hectares of lands in Krishnagiri district. This issue will be resolved only through the Tribunal," the minister said in a statement.

When the engineers of the Central Water Commission inspected the works for the new dam in 2017, Karnataka said the dam with 0.5 tmcft storage capacity was being constructed to fulfil the drinking water requirements of the people in the area and to fortify the groundwater.

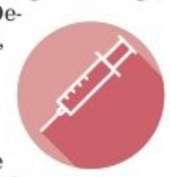
In 2019, Karnataka announced that the construction of this dam was almost over.

Students seek two vax doses before offline classes start

ENS @ Bengaluru

HUNDREDS of students of degree, post-graduation, engineering, diploma and pharmacy courses in the state on Saturday resorted to boycott of online classes, reiterating their demand to cancel the previous semester examinations. They also demanded that students be given both doses of vaccine for free before conducting offline classes or exams.

Students from colleges in Bengaluru including prominent institutes such as JSS College, S J Polytechnic, UVCE, BMS Women's Degree College, VV Puram Degree College, KR Puram Degree College, Vidya Vardhaka Sangha Degree College, APS Polytechnic, RPA College, SSMRV College, Dayanand Sagar Institute of Technology and Bangalore University participated in the boycott, said All India Democratic Students' Organisation, which is spearheading the protest.



In other districts too, students of several reputed universities and colleges including Gulbarga University, Bellary Sri Krishnadevaraya University, Dharward University, Bijapur University, boycotted online classes, AIDSO. The organisation has warned of intensifying the struggle if the two demands are not met.

ALL SET FOR MONDAY

With fresh relaxations allowing opening of places of worship starting Monday, a priest readies the temple premises in Coimbatore on Saturday | U RAKESH KUMAR

No politics behind raids on Kitex: Kerala minister

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Kochi

DENYING allegations of political intentions behind the raids at Kitex Group institutions, Industries Minister P Rajeeve said that the government will not try to interfere in the functioning of any industry.

"The government is very transparent in this issue. We have taken the issues raised by Kitex CMD very seriously and the Chief Minister has convened a high-level meeting on Monday to discuss the issue. Ministers and secretaries of the departments of industries, health and labour will attend the meeting. We have instructed officers that there should not be any raids on industrial units. An officer can conduct a raid only if he gets credible information and he feels that there is a prima facie case of violation. Meanwhile, the government will not support any illegal activities," Rajeeve told mediapersons at the meet-the-press programme organised by Ernakulam Press Club on Saturday.

He said CPM does not nurture any political rivalry with Kitex. Though the CPM has its own opinion about the kind of politics promoted by Twenty20, the Kitex-backed apolitical organisation that rules Kizhakkambalam panchayat, the party does not see it as a rival. The party did not lose any assembly seat due to the stand taken by Twenty20. It is the Congress that has been waging a political war against the Kitex, said Rajeeve.

Rajeeve said he was not able to contact Kitex CMD Sabu Jacob as his phone was busy. "I rang up his brother Bobby and we had a very friendly chat for around 10 minutes. He said labour department officials and sectoral magistrate had raided the company and I offered to look into the issue. We have taken the issues raised by Sabu seriously. We are open to discussions. He should have shown the maturity to discuss with the government before going public about it. Sabu should not have resorted to disgracing the state," he said.

FIRM GETS INVITE FROM TELANGANA

Kitex has received a letter from Telangana Industries Minister K T Rama Rao inviting the company to implement the Rs 3,500-crore project there. "I wanted to personally reach out to you ... I am confident that the combination of policy offerings, infrastructure and ease of doing business that Telangana offers will enable Kitex to seamlessly set up and operationalise a new base outside Kerala," Rama Rao said in his letter.

Govt flayed for RTE 'fund diversion'

PEARL MARIA D'SOUZA @Bengaluru

PRIVATE school managements on Saturday slammed the government for its decision to use Right to Education (RTE) funds to give financial aid of Rs 5,000 each to teachers. Not just have their earlier reimbursements been pending, several expenditure heads have been knocked off, they said adding that this makes them "a sacrificial goat" as the education department tries to cut corners and finance the teachers.

> If the department finds lacunas, they can issue notice to the schools and reverify the documents
>
> –D Shashi Kumar, General Secretary, KAMS

As per an order from the department on July 2, which has been accessed by *TNIE*, more than two lakh employees of unaided schools – 1,72,945 teachers and 34,000 non-teaching staff -- will receive Rs 5,000 each as a special Covid package and Rs 10,347.25 lakh has been ordered for release towards this.

The Commissioner of Public Instruction has been given the permission to tap the funds from amount that is yet to be released from the RTE reimbursement programme.

The amount not released will be registered on the internal portal and financial aid under the special package will be given to beneficiaries under the Direct Beneficiary Transfer.

The private school administrators, who were to receive RTE reimbursement, alleged malpractice by the department by not letting schools avail their rightful reimbursement, thereby saving money for the department.

A complaint has also been raised with Primary and Secondary Education Minister S Suresh Kumar seeking action against the BEO and DDPI of Jewargi and the BEO Yadgir for harassment with "ulterior motive" in approving the RTE reimbursement.

Associated Managements of Primary and Secondary Schools in Karnataka (KAMS) general secretary D Shashi Kumar said, "If the department finds lacunas, they can issue notice to the schools and reverify the documents. One cannot, for this reason, cut the money of all schools in the state," he added. M Riyaz, a school administrator from Ballari, said that each auditor puts components as per their understanding. However, the local education officials reject the head of expenditure and the same gets processed till the Commissioner-ate-level without rectification.

Private schools are willing to take a legal call on the RTE reimbursement matter once again.

HDK: It's dark celebration of GST 4-year anniversary

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"THE Centre is celebrating the fourth anniversary of the GST regime. But sadly, it is a dark celebration of snatching away the rights and freedom of states with respect to taxes," JDS leader and former chief minister HD Kumaraswamy commented here on Saturday.

"The Centre had promised the States that it would compensate the losses while introducing the GST regime. But it has gone back on its word. Karnataka is yet to get the GST compensation of around Rs 9,000 crore. We could have celebrated if the amount had been paid. The funds would have helped the State which is suffering from a severe resource crunch due to Covid," he said.

"The main intention of GST is to divert revenues of states to the Centre so that states would have to beg for their allocation. This system of slavery was evolved by Congress and implemented by BJP. The tax regime also failed to better the lives of people. It has not given a boost to startups or improved the condition of entrepreneurs," he said.

CRIME PATROL

Cops launch manhunt for conman

Bengaluru: The Central Crime Branch (CCB) sleuths have launched a manhunt for the secretary of an educational institution who allegedly duped a number of job aspirants by masquerading as a KPSC member. Police said that accused Arun Kumar K H, a resident of Davanagere, absconded with Rs 1.6 crore that he collected from several people after promising to get them jobs. Vidhana Soudha police registered an FIR based on a complaint by H B Jayadeva, a civil contractor. Jayadeva stated that Arun Kumar, claiming that he was appointed a KPSC member, took Rs 70 lakh from his friends who had applied for sub-inspector posts in the excise department, promising to get them the jobs. Similarly, he duped several other aspirants. Arun Kumar also issued appointment letters with the forged signature of the governor. When the aspirants went to the department, they found out that they were conned. ENS

Gang hacks man to death

Bengaluru: A 35-year-old man was hacked to death by a gang in full public view, when he was returning home, in DJ Halli on Friday. The deceased has been identified as Krishnamurthy, a native of Tamil Nadu, residing in Kavalbyrasandra. He was working in a granite factory. A senior police officer said that the incident took place at around 9.30 pm, when Krishnamurthy was walking home. ENS

2 killed as car overturns

Bengaluru: Two men died on the spot when their speeding car toppled on the busy Nelamangala Highway near Talakere Gate on Saturday. Pawan S (26) and Uday Kumar (29) hailed from Tumakuru, and were on the way to Bengaluru, a Nelamangala traffic police officer said. Pawan lost control over the vehicle while trying to avoid hitting a dog. The car toppled over and rammed into a tree. ENS

20-yr-old student killed in road accident

Bengaluru: A jolly ride turned tragic for a 20-year-old B.Com student on Friday evening after his speeding sports bike collided with a truck at Byadarahalli. A 13-year-old girl, who was riding pillion, suffered injuries. The deceased, Mayur S, is the son of Tulu actor Suryodaya. According to the police, Mayur had borrowed his friend's new sports bike at 9 pm for a jolly ride. He was accompanied by the girl who is from his neighbourhood in Srigandhakaval. On reaching New Link Road, Mayur lost control of the bike and collided with the truck which was coming from the opposite direction. While the girl, who was tossed into the air, sustained multiple injuries, Mayur sustained severe injury to his head. He was rushed to a private hospital where he succumbed. Based on a complaint filed by Suryodaya, the truck driver, Mani, a native of Tamil Nadu, has been arrested on the charge of negligent driving. ENS

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

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DATED: 02/07/2021

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Tender Value: Rs. 32,27,216.95/-

Period of completion: 12 months

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I, Mrs. Parijatha .B.K, W/o. Udaya Kumar, aged about 43 years, R/at. No. 12, Old Extension, Old Madras Road, K.R. Puram, Bangalore-560036, have purchased the property bearing Eastern Portion of Site No.1, Khata No. 181, Formed in Property No. 27, situated at Varanasi @ Jinkethimmanahalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, previously Bangalore South Taluk, now Bangalore East Taluk, Now Comes under the limits of BBMP Bangalore. measuring East to West (28+0)/2 feet and North to South 52 Feet, from one Sri. M. Prathap S/o. Late. Muninanjappa under the registered Sale deed dated 18-02-2014, at the time of purchase of the above said property the said original document of the sale deed dated 15-03-2006, was handed over to my custody from my vendor Sri. M. Prathap, However at the time of shifting my house on 03/06/2021, the original sale deed dated 15-03-2006, Document No. KRI-1-23150-2005-06, of book-1, Document No. KRID 195, Registered in the office of the sub Registrar, K.R. Puram, Bangalore, has been lost. However, I have also lodged a complaint, before the Jurisdictional police on 03-07-2021. Hence, I hereby request if any person/ persons found the same may kindly handover to the above said address and do the needful.

From **Mrs. PARIJATHA .B.K,**
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RESHUFFLE KERFUFFLE: INDIA NEEDS RESULTS

THE national capital is abuzz. The nine-letter verb, a palpable presence in casual and formal settings, has triggered a commotion of speculation and punditry, a kind of political kerfuffle if you please. The question 'what are you hearing on the reshuffle' is aired even though those who ask know that nobody quite knows.

The defining characteristic of the Modi Model of politics is the element of surprise, predictable unpredictability! Indeed, public appraisals of ministerial performance within the party and private communions of hopefuls are enveloped by caveats of if and when. The use of the adjective 'impending' and the event itself hang between probability and political possibility.

Quintessentially, a reshuffle of the council of ministers is defined by expediency — accommodation of personal aspirations and party's ambitions. The fact that portfolios and privilege are vested with a few even as many wait to be rewarded for their devotion has been a cause of quiet angst. At the institutional level, there is the imperative to expand affiliation and signal promise in the run-up to state polls of 2022.

THE THIRD EYE
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Expediency is propelled by expectations. And the expectation of electoral dividends demands transition beyond messaging. Political and public discourse has largely and typically hovered around the 'know-who' factor. What is of material import to a young impatient electorate is translation of declared intent into visible outcomes. This calls for a review of the architecture of the council and enhanced focus on know-what and know-how factors.

The reshuffle is an opportunity to induct focus on key sectors critical to ensure equity and install efficiency. The idea should be to induct champions for the cause — think green revolution, think Aadhaar — bring in a group of younger politicians who have a stake in the future, and wherever possible induct technocrats, to leverage the political heft of the party in the Centre and in the states it rules to create a demonstration effect.

Minister for Wellness: The pandemic has exposed the pathetic state of public health care systems. The Modi government in 2017-18 had announced the upgrade of primary and community health centres and the creation of 1.5 lakh wellness centres. How about inducting a minister to implement this, to be the bridge between the Centre and states, to design a public private partnership for expansion of both human and physical infrastructure for the rural and urban poor?

Minister for E-Governance: The landscape of e-governance is located between slogans and fund-starved programmes. The lockdown has proved e-governance is possible and is acceptable. India has the opportunity to bridge the gap between service and delivery by inducting a professional to install a functional e-governance programme for the future.

Minister for Privatisation: The current state of public finance is an impediment to the installation of a low-cost, high-growth economy and to the aspiration of a $5 trillion GDP. This column has argued that it is not enough to set targets for disinvestment. It has argued India needs a minister for privatisation (https://bit.ly/27PSU) to make this happen. The success at the Centre will hopefully inspire a clean-up in the states.

Minister for Climate Tech: India's migration to a climate friendly landscape needs urgent attention. Over 180 companies across the globe have signed on a pledge. Over $ 70 trillion of global savings is now affiliated to the new ESG — Environment Social Governance — template. Typically, almost every ministry — in Centre and the states — has a laundry list of initiatives which are aired every year on some milestone occasion. How about aggregating all citizen centric initiatives such as rooftop solar, e-buses and implement best practices under one minister?

Minister for Legal Reforms: India's statute books are chock-a-block with archaic laws which impede investment, job creation and growth. These laws are often used as instruments of harassment. It is not enough to create new codes and leave it to the states. There is an urgent need to identify and abolish archaic laws in a time-bound manner. To enable this, the government needs to carve out the responsibility to a minister — perhaps create a council of state ministers — with a time-bound target for achieving this.

The current architecture of the government is a confounding coalition of conflicting layers. The government of India directory lists 50 ministries and 60+2 departments —besides 27 commissions and committees, 289 PSUs/companies, 176 subordinate offices, 555 statutory/autonomous bodies, 613 academies/institutions and more.

Three decades after reforms, India persists with ministries for coal, steel, aviation and textiles. The ministries with the largest expenditure budgets are those managing issues which are essentially state subjects. To appreciate the state of chaos, view the architecture through the prism of pressing problems. Water is a silent and serious crisis across India. Its management is governed by over six ministries and then across 30 states.

This must change but India cannot wait for a consensus. The reshuffle offers an opportunity to induct innovation in governance and result orientation.

THAT TEAR-DROP OF LOVE MATTERS

POINT OF VIEW
T J S GEORGE

FROM Shah Jahan to Narendra Modi is a long way. But we need to take note of it because it is a journey dictated by history and, like all such journeys, it opens a window to the making of the country. It brings out the contradictions that made India now a triumph of mankind, now a misadventure. In many ways, it is something of a wonder that Shah Jahan's India and Narendra Modi's India are one and the same. But are they?

Shah Jahan was no doubt a dictator, a military commander who always won because he had the most formidable army of his time: 9,11,400 infantry, musketeers and artillery men in addition to 1,85,000 cavalrymen commanded by princes and nobles who owed allegiance to him. This assembly of fighters helped him put down the revolts he faced. The Rajputs of Bundelkhand and the Deccan chieftains were among those who revolted. They were all forced to acknowledge Mughal supremacy and pay annual tribute to the Emperor.

An imaginative military innovator, Shah Jahan introduced the 'Marwari horse' in the battlefield. Various Mughal cannons were mass produced. "The empire became a huge military machine," as chroniclers later put it.

But all that represented only one aspect of Shah Jahan, the less significant aspect as his career showed. His forefathers — Babur, Humayun, Akbar and Jehangir — were all rulers of distinction, making the Mughal period unequalled in the story of India. Distinguished as they all were, only Shah Jahan could love a woman the way he loved Mumtaz Mahal. Only Shah Jahan could moan the loss of a beloved the way he moaned the death of Mumtaz. Only Shah Jahan was a poet at heart. Only Shah Jahan could think of a mausoleum so magnificent, so emotionally rich that Rabindranath Tagore described it as "a teardrop of love".

The Mughals represented a golden age. Their dreams defied limitations of time and resources. Who else could dream up the Peacock Throne, the bejewelled throne of emperors? The *Mayur Simhasan* was ascended by silver steps. Its golden feet were set with jewels. Two open peacock tails, gilded and enamelled and inset with diamonds and rubies and other stones formed the background. The vision (design in modern terminology) was entirely Shah Jahan's. Imagine the modern rulers we know, anyone from Narendra Modi to Yogi Adityanath, having the imagination to visualise a design of the Peacock Throne's distinction. The highest-level Modi's design ideas could reach was the dark pinstripe suit repeatedly embroidered with the words "Narendra Damodardas Modi". It became a public relations disaster for the Modi ego.

When national leaders have the full economic resources of the nation at their disposal, what they do with that wealth and that opportunity provides a commentary on their character and also the character of the country under their rule. Shah Jahan used the state's resources to build several masterpieces. The Red Fort, Lal Quila, that symbolises Old Delhi was just one of them. The renovated Agra Fort, the Jama Masjid in Delhi and Agra are the best known among the others. The Peacock Throne was so enchanting that Iranian conqueror Nadir Shah took it with him back to Iran, only to lose it to the Kurds who dismantled it. Consider a mighty emperor spending his time and the talent of his craftsmen to create a throne that is both a work of art and a declaration of unequalled imagination.

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Perennial masterpieces like the Peacock Throne and the Taj Mahal engaged the attention of those rulers because they had a vision that transcended their personal interests. Twenty-thousand workers laboured for 22 years to complete Shah Jahan's memorial to his beloved Mumtaz. It was left to Tagore to immortalise that teardrop by saying: "Empires collapsed into dust, centuries faded away in shadow, but that marble still sighed upon the sky."

A succession of noble-minded pioneers gave India a soul power that was extraordinary. That inner strength enabled India to sustain its greatness even under ordinary leaders. It is a truism that leadership matters in the growth of a nation. Whether it is Hitler or De Gaulle, Akbar or Narasimha Rao, the individual in the seat of power makes all the difference. The individual in India's seat of power today is the single most effective force that matters in its growth. Democracy does not change this reality. So, the question remains: Is the individual in that seat good for our growth? What is his first priority — his country's growth, or his own glory? People should ask. And people should remember the answer.

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MARKETING MODI MAGIC AND YODA YOGI IN UTTAR PRADESH

In the words of George Herbert, the Welsh devotional lyricist: "Skill and confidence are an unconquered army." The BJP, currently in a devotional mood in UP with the Ram Temple, is playing this number. Unfazed by the pandemic-created negative perception, its leadership has already written the script for a win in the 2022 Assembly elections. Both Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath display enviable confidence about their party's prospects in India's largest state. In spite of the walloping in Bengal, they haven't lost confidence in the party's poll moxie acquired during the past seven years. Of course, the architect of victory was Amit Shah with his mastery over election methods and machinery that gave BJP a record haul of seats in successive Lok Sabha elections and the state elections in 2017. Voting is still nine months away. Yet the entire saffron leadership is in election mode. While Opposition parties like the SP and the BSP are conspicuous by their absence on the ground, the BJP is mobilising its rank and file at the panchayat level where they got a shellacking. Yogi has personally visited almost all the districts and is concentrating on implementing all pending projects and bringing all factional leaders together. Following Modi's directions, Radha Mohan Singh, former Union Minister and UP in-charge, along with Sunil Bansal, RSS pracharak and organisational secretary of the state BJP, are holding regular palaver in each district and taking feedback from all MPs, MLAs and other office bearers on positive and negative issues. However, their main objective is to instil confidence among their cadres that the party is still the people's most favoured choice with support from all communities and castes. They have advised a deviation from communal propaganda to concentrate on publicising BJP's effective leadership at the state and central level. The slogan is likely to be "Modi ke Nam par, Yogi ke Kaam par". From the state president to the groundworker, all poll warriors have been told to market the clean image of Modi and Yogi since all their opponents have mud on their shirts. Moreover, around 100 tainted sitting MLAs of the 310 odd legislators in UP will be dropped. A Lucknow comeback would be the stepping stone for Modi 3.0 in 2024. The Prime Minister makes it a point to post a tweet lauding Yogi's performance as chief minister.

INSIDERS LAND TRUST IN TROUBLE IN AYODHYA

The Sangh Parivar is seriously assessing the damage created by the controversial land deals in Ayodhya to the election outcome in the state next year. Closed door parleys are being held at various levels, and each and every land deal is being legally and morally scrutinised by *babus* and *netas*. So far, the justification given by top leaders for the dubious deal is that all land was bought at less than the market price. However, local leaders haven't been quite able to purvey convincing explanations for such quick gun deals to reap huge profits. The I-T records of the sellers are being investigated to check tax evasion. Trust takes decades to build, a couple of seconds to break and centuries to rebuild. It was after seven decades of legal, social and political struggle that Ram Bhakts got a chance to rebuild the divine edifice. Once the Supreme Court cleared all the hurdles, both the Centre and the state administration stepped on the gas to realise the decades old Parivar dream. Nripen Mishra, a retired IAS officer with impeccable credentials, was handpicked to supervise Mandir construction. Never before has such huge amounts been spent on the construction of a religious structure except on the Somnath Temple under the supervision of a trust created by the Union government. Since then, the rise and expansion of saffron ideology has been driven by Mission Ram Mandir. The BJP and the RSS combined to create the political Hindu who actively supports the idea of Ram. 'Mandir Vaheen Banayege' (Will construct the Mandir there only) wasn't just a slogan but an article of faith. With many prominent BJP leaders being involved in the questionable buying and selling of Ayodhya land, the High Command could punish them to neutralise their toxic impact. Meanwhile, BJP's opponents are collecting more masala about land transactions of the temple site.

PAWAR PARLEY PUMMELS POLLSTER PR

Excessive marketing can often end with massive flops. Take the recent highly hyped meeting of 'likeminded individuals' at the New Delhi residence of Sharad Pawar. It was just a get-together of a few socially and political compatible personalities. But Prashant Kishor, the artful and affluent hawker of political parties as products, created the impression through a friendly network of PR agencies and selective media that it was his idea to bring all anti-BJP and anti- Modi parties on one stage. Since he is associated with the winning side from Modi to Mamata, he gets easy access to politicians. He met Pawar in Mumbai and the media stories popped up about his effort to topple Modi with Mamata's help. Pawar, the great listener, never reveals his mind unless he has a horse in the race. Former finance minister Yashwant Sinha is in touch with Pawar and *netas* of other parties, including the Congress, to connect and float a common platform to raise incendiary issues in future. He floated the non-party platform Rashtra Manch and requested Pawar to host its first meeting, which he gladly agreed. It was attended by leaders of all shades — credible, irrelevant or attention-deprived. Kishor was neither invited nor was he present. Sinha and Pawar clarified that it wasn't a pow wow to manufacture an alternative to Modi. The best part — the canny Maratha didn't utter a single word during the two- hour chat-athon but did lay out a scrumptious high tea to the participants of the experimental rendezvous.

EXTENDED VOCATION WITHOUT VACATING GOVERNMENT HOMES

The bureaucracy is the perpetual owner of the government. While political leaders are dispensable, a privileged gang of mandarins survive and thrive in every dispensation. In seven years of the NDA regime, a set of top Indian Administrative Service officers wrangled extensions in the same posts or got new assignments — not once or twice but even thrice or for the fourth time. Recently, the government gave the third one- year extension to the NITI Aayog CEO who has crossed the age of 65. Normal civil servants do not get this privilege. LC Goyal, whose term as Home Secretary was abruptly terminated, is the first *babu* in recent years to get four extensions as chairman of the India Trade Promotion Organisation. Some paper pushers have even managed to retain their Lutyen's bungalows. Another senior IAS officer, who retired recently and had held several sensitive posts while occupying a massive *sarkari* bungalow, is lobbying for the allotment of a Type VII bungalow for his wife who does not belong to an All India Service. No wonder powerful apparatchiks have the leverage to convince the Union government to construct additional palatial homes as their post retirement abodes.

QUOTE CORNER

Fair taxation of multinationals and digital giants: this has been France's fight for 4 years. In June, the G7 mobilised. Today, we are no longer 7 but 130 countries under the coordination of the OECD committed to a world minimum rate of at least 15%!

Emmanuel Macron, France president

I have the perspective that when this pandemic is over, the powerful are going to be more powerful and the weak are going to be weaker. And the rich are going to be richer and the poor are going to be poorer

Cristina Kirchner, Argentina vice-president

The UAE's Hope Probe, first-ever Arab interplanetary mission, has captured the first global images of Mars' Discrete Aurora. They open up unprecedented potential for global science community to probe solar interactions with Mars

Sheikh Mohammed, UAE prime minister

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Mamata needs to act fast

The Calcutta HC's stinging observation of the Bengal government for its inapt handling of post-poll violence has put CM Mamata Banerjee on the back foot. It gave certain directions on the basis of a damming interim report by an NHRC team disclosing instances of violence and allegations of sexual violence. A CM failing to protect the lives and properties of the citizens forfeits the right to continue in the office at least on moral grounds. By letting her party goons commit crimes with impunity, Mamata is not only losing all the goodwill she had earned for singlehandedly trouncing a national party with enormous resources, but is also unwittingly vindicating her political rivals' repeated claims of deteriorating law and order situation.

S K Choudhury, Bengaluru

Bring fuel under GST

At Hyderabad, petrol price as on July 3 is ₹103.05 per litre and LPG cylinder ₹887 with meagre subsidy reimbursement of ₹41. Government talks about one nation, one tax policy – GST– but exempts petrol and diesel from it and charges exorbitant prices from citizens in the name of different hidden charges. Petrol, diesel and gas are the essential needs of common citizens but the government is putting heavy taxes of more than 150% as if they are luxury items. The rise in fuel prices is triggering inflation. I suggest fuel prices should be brought under GST so that rationale tax is put on citizens than the exorbitant hidden taxes by both central and state governments.

T Kailash Ditya, Hyderabad

Setting wrong precedent

In 2017, the Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation had served a notice on actor Amitabh Bachchan asking him to part with a portion of his 'Prateekha' bungalow plot in Juhu for widening of the adjacent lane. The BMC has almost completed the work but for the stretch in front of Prateeksha'. Although four years have since elapsed, the actor has not budged an inch. Would the BMC adopt such a tolerant attitude towards an ordinary man when it comes to development projects? It is unfortunate that celebrities, who are expected to be role models, are setting bad examples.

PG Menon, Chennai

Learning from the past

This has reference to 'How or how not to remember the Emergency' (July 3). It is true that all political parties consider the internal emergency declared on June 25, 1975 was an aberration and no one in future will dare to repeat it. The anniversaries of the Emergency, declared just to circumvent the Allahabad HC verdict, reminds us of the horrors of Emergency, when the people were scared even after the rout of Indira Gandhi. But for the apolitical nature of our forces nothing untoward happened.

Dharmarajan A K, Thalassery

Time to walk the talk

The creation Chief of Defence Staff post with a view to integrating and synergising the armed forces, seems to be working in the opposite direction, if the public spat between the CDS and the Air Chief is anything to go by. Moreover, the present CDS had shown his penchant for putting foot in the mouth on several occasions while he was the Army chief. It is Hobson's choice that the frayed ends, if any are mended without loss of time.

A Raveendranath, Aranmula

Strange ways of comrades

It is surprising that the representatives of CPI and CPM have rained praises on the Chinese Communist Party on its centenary. While both these parties cry for restoring democratic values in India, praising an authoritarian regime is oxymoron. It has been virtually established that China was responsible for spread of the deadly pandemic, but the said representatives have wreathed the CCP and its leadership with the best manager of the pandemic. China has been bullying all its neighbours with expansionism, but the comrades here are complementing China. People must evaluate their efficacy.

AM Chakravarty, Hyderabad

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TWEETS OF THE DAY

Derek O'Brien @derekobrienmp
When petrol prices were hiked by a few paisa in 1973, Atal Bihari Vajpayee had travelled to #Parliament on a bullock cart in protest

Asaduddin Owaisi @asadowaisi
Why did PMO want to trace private chats? Why so desperate to control digital media? Why bypass Parliament?

Ravi Shankar Prasad @rsprasad
Nice to see significant social media platforms like Google, Facebook and Instagram following the new IT Rules.

Covaxin shows 77.8% overall efficacy in Phase 3 trial

Study conducted on 26,000 people, reveals Bharat Biotech's vax has 93.4% efficacy against severe disease, 65.2% against Delta variant

A health worker collects a swab sample for Covid test from a child in Jammu | PTI

SUMI SUKANYA DUTTA @ New Delhi

COVAXIN has shown an overall efficacy of 77.8 per cent against symptomatic Covid-19, 93.4 per cent efficacy against severe disease and 65.2 per cent efficacy against Delta variant of SARS CoV 2, the results of its phase 3 clinical trials conducted on nearly 26,000 individuals have shown.

There had been a massive pressure on Bharat Biotech, which has developed the vaccine with support from the ICMR, to release full data of the efficacy trials carried out earlier this year. Covaxin is the only fully homegrown Covid vaccine being used in India's vaccination drive and it had received regulatory approvals before completing phase 3 trials in January. Bharat Biotech has now released the full data from the late-stage trials of Covaxin, a whole inactivated virus-based vaccine, on the pre-print server medrxiv, which are based on accruing 130 confirmed Covid 19 cases, 106 in the placebo arm and 24 in the vaccine group.

"BBV152 (Covaxin) was immunogenic and highly efficacious against symptomatic and asymptomatic Covid variant associated disease, particularly against severe disease in adults," the researchers associated with the company, ICMR and 25 sites where the trials were conducted and a US-based independent consultancy firm said.

"Vaccination was well tolerated with an overall incidence of adverse events observed over a 65 median of days that was lower than that observed with other vaccines. Importantly, said the study, the results also showed 63.6 per cent effectiveness against asymptomatic cases, which experts said was crucial to cut down the community spread of Covid19 over some time.

"In my view, the most remarkable part of the study was a division of the part in three groups, one of whom was followed for asymptomatic cases something that most other mainstream vaccines had not done in their clinical trials," said Rajeev Jayadevan, clinician, medical researcher and former president of the IMA. It is significant, he said, as it gives the assurance that those fully vaccinated, may be far less likely to be a carrier of infections. "Such an assurance is helpful in workplaces among others and in the long run, will curb the spread of the disease as the percentage of the vaccinated population grows," added Jayadevan.

There were 15 deaths in the study, none of which were considered by the investigators to be related to the vaccine or placebo; six deaths were reported to be related to Covid. In the vaccine recipients, there were five deaths all due to causes unrelated to vaccination-cerebellar haemorrhage, haemorrhagic stroke, ovarian cancer with metastasis, sudden cardiac death, and Covid1.

Ten placebo recipients died, also from unrelated conditions: alcohol overdose, myocardial infarction, cardiac arrest with underlying hypertension, five from Covid 19 and two which remain to be determined.

COVID TRACKER

1.31% NATIONAL FATALITY RATE

2.35% POSITIVITY RATE

97.06% RECOVERY RATE

4,95,533 Active cases

14,104 Net decline in cases

18,76,036 Tests on Friday

43,99,298 Jabs on Friday

VACCINATION IN 18-44 AGE GROUP

STATE	1ST DOSE	2ND DOSE
A & N Islands	54,552	24
Andhra Pradesh	21,28,089	21,126
Arunachal Pradesh	2,39,593	20
Assam	25,78,571	1,44,094
Bihar	56,66,870	95,958
Chandigarh	1,95,174	430
Chhattisgarh	26,93,233	73,078
Dadra & Nagar Haveli	1,46,337	54
Daman & Diu	1,48,073	405
Delhi	28,12,539	1,75,910
Goa	3,59,818	5,846
Gujarat	75,44,072	2,17,623
Haryana	32,93,547	1,11,641
Himachal Pradesh	11,93,578	936
Jammu & Kashmir	9,01,384	34,229
Jharkhand	22,16,043	70,517
Karnataka	67,39,342	1,26,777
Kerala	19,69,619	49,251
Ladakh	75,987	2
Lakshadweep	22,786	19
Madhya Pradesh	93,25,255	1,49,624
Maharashtra	66,18,721	3,03,999
Manipur	2,04,537	202
Meghalaya	2,55,014	45
Mizoram	2,71,538	84
Nagaland	2,27,074	75
Odisha	30,15,627	1,61,007
Puducherry	1,86,996	271
Punjab	14,65,495	20,980
Rajasthan	74,05,293	92,701
Sikkim	2,35,291	15
Tamil nadu	55,58,436	1,22,037
Telangana	41,41,474	63,729
Tripura	8,47,587	13,374
Uttar Pradesh	96,71,361	2,05,668
Uttarakhand	13,90,495	37,763
West Bengal	43,90,439	77,993
TOTAL	9,61,89,940	23,73,507

Source: Union Health Ministry

51.5 cr vax supply plan in July may fall short by 10%

SUMI SUKANYA DUTTA @ New Delhi

A promise by the Centre to supply 51.5 crore Covid-19 vaccine doses to the states and Union Territories by July-end may fall short by over 10 per cent, an analysis of the vaccine supplies so far and the projections for this month shows.

The figures shared by the Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare show that while about 34 crore doses of Covid-19 vaccines were supplied to the states till June end, the projected availability of vaccines in July is 12 crore. Together, this adds up to 46 crore, 5.5 crore or 11 per cent lesser than the figure projected earlier by the government for supply till July.

This shortfall in the projected supply of vaccines does not paint a happy picture, as only about 4.4 per cent of the 94 crore adult population in the country has been fully vaccinated so far.

Of the projected supply of vaccines for July, 10 crore doses will be Covishield and 2 crore Covaxin — both in government and private hospitals. A further break-up proposed by the government for this month shows that 7.5 crore Covishield doses will be supplied to the government hospitals, while 2.5 crore doses will go to the private entities.

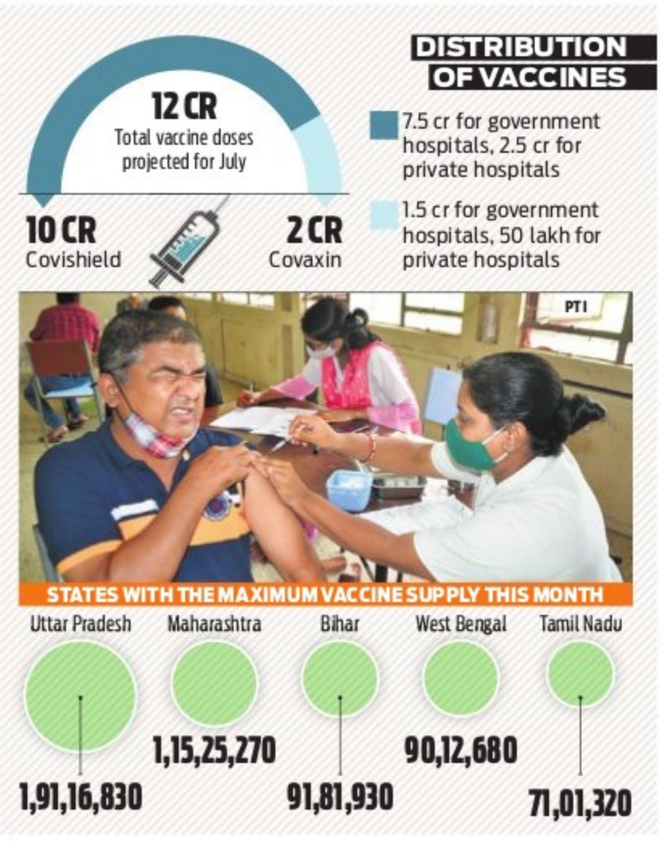
Similarly, 1.5 crore Covaxin doses will be available for government facilities and the private hospitals will get a share of only 50 lakh doses.

This is in line with the Centre's revised Covid-19 vaccination strategy, under which it will directly procure and supply 75 per cent of the vaccine doses available in the country to government hospitals for free vaccination of all adults and the rest will be procured by private hospitals for paid vaccination.

This new policy has come into effect from June 21. A look at the daily Covid-19 vaccination graph, however, suggests that after reaching a peak of over 85 lakh daily vaccinations on this day, the figures have been dropping.

In June, the average daily vaccination was less than 39 lakh doses and given that a maximum of 12 crore doses are available for July, the average daily vaccination for this month too will remain only about 40 lakh.

Biostatisticians, however, have estimated that in order to fully inoculate all of the adult population in the country by the year-end, 90 lakh doses should be administered daily — a target that looks nearly impossible given the vaccine shortage at the moment.



Despite the Central government's efforts to ramp up the production of vaccines in the country, it itself conceded in an affidavit in the Supreme Court recently that only about 135 crore vaccine doses may be available between August-December this year.

This is a revision from its earlier and far more ambitious target of 216 crore vaccine doses projected for the last five months of the year.

Rafale deal: Cong seeks JPC probe, BJP slams Rahul

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

REITERATING its demand for a Joint Parliamentary Committee (JPC) on the Rafale fighter jets deal, the Congress on Saturday said the scandalous expose of scam involving massive corruption and loss to public exchequer has finally been uncovered and France has already ordered a judicial probe.

Asking PM Narendra Modi to come forward and order the investigation, the party said French Public Prosecution Services has ordered an investigation into Rafale Papers for corruption, influence peddling, money laundering, favouritism on the complaint of French Anti-Corruption NGO, Sherpa. "When the French government has accepted that there is corruption in the deal, should a JPC probe be not held in the country where the corruption took place? The facts now clearly tell and call for a thorough JPC probe into the Rafale scam. Will the prime minister, like the French, now answer to the nation and tell when the prime minister will submit his government to a JPC probe into the Rafale scam," said Congress media cell chief R S Surjewala.

The BJP alleged that Rahul Gandhi is acting as an agent of rival defence companies and being used as a "pawn".

BJP spokesperson Sambit Patra also played down the appointment of a judge in France to lead a judicial investigation into the alleged corruption and favouritism in the ₹59,000 crore deal, saying the development was outcome of a complaint by an NGO and should not be seen as a matter of corruption.

"The way Rahul Gandhi is behaving, it will not be an exaggeration to say that he is being used as a pawn by competing companies. He has been lying right from the beginning on the issue," he said.

Will name grievance officer soon: Twitter

NEW DELHI: Twitter India on Saturday informed the Delhi High Court that an interim grievance officer has been appointed in the wake of Dharmendra Chatur stepping down from the post after a few weeks on the job.

Filing an affidavit, the social networking platform has told the court that they are in the final stages of hiring a full-time resident grievance officer in accordance with the new IT rules. "We are in the final stages of appointing a replacement. In the meanwhile, the grievances of Indian users are being addressed by the Grievance Officer," the affidavit stated.

The affidavit was in response to a notice issued by the Delhi HC to Twitter's alleged non-compliance with the new information technology rules. Asking for the petition against it to be dismissed on grounds that the petitioner did not have locus standi, the microblogging website submitted details of the Interim Resident Grievance Officer.

"The petition is not maintainable since Twitter is a corporation registered in the United States of America," it told the court. Twitter also informed the High Court that the IT rules clearly state that only the victim can file a complaint with the grievance officer. The petitioner had raised objections to tweets they were not personally affected by and, therefore, cannot claim to be a victim. A day after Chatur resigned, Twitter had appointed its California-based global legal policy director Jeremy Kessel as the new grievance officer for India. *ENS*

Foreign youth to be in NCC camp

New Delhi: Around 300 youngsters from 25 foreign nations will participate in next year's Republic Day camp of the NCC as a part of celebrations leading to 75th Independence Day, said Defence Secretary Ajay Kumar. The foreign cadets will now be selected by India through a competition wherein their knowledge of India's history, economy, culture and growth will be tested," Kumar said during a press conference on Friday.

Beggars should also work for nation, says HC

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Mumbai

DISMISSING a Public Interest Litigation (PIL), the Bombay High Court made oral observations on Saturday that homeless persons and beggars should work. since everything cannot be provided by the state.

A bench of Chief Justice Dipankar Datta and Justice GS Kulkarni disposed of a PIL filed by Brijesh Aarya, who sought a directive from Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation (BMC) to provide nutritious meals thrice a day, potable water, shelter and clean toilets for homeless persons, beggars and the poor people in the city.

The BMC informed the court that food packets were distributed to such people all over Mumbai with the help of NGOs and sanitary napkins were also provided. The court accepted this submission and said no further direction is required to augment the distribution.

"They (homeless persons) should also work for the country. Everyone is working. Everything cannot be provided by the state. You (petitioner) are just increasing the population of this section of the society," the court said. The court also said that granting all the prayers sought in the petition would be like an "invitation to people not to work".

In its order, the bench noted that public toilets in the city and across the state charge a minimum amount for usage and directed the Maharashtra government to consider allowing homeless persons to use such facilities with the charge. "We direct the state government to look if the homeless persons can use these toilets for free."

The judges also noted that the petition lacks details of who a homeless is, the population of homeless persons in the city and so on.

"We are of the considered opinion that the state and BMC are taking steps in the right direction for the homeless and no direction is required at this stage. PIL petition stands disposed of," they said.

LANDSLIDE

Ahead of 2022, BJP sweeps UP panchayat polls

LUCKNOW: After a not-so-encouraging performance in the district panchayat members' polls two months back, the ruling BJP swept the Zila Panchayat chairperson polls in Uttar Pradesh on Saturday, winning in 67 of the 75 districts.

Main opposition Samajwadi Party (SP) won in just five districts, including Azamgarh (SP chief Akhilesh Yadav's parliamentary constituency), Sant Kabir Nagar, Etawah, Ballia and Etah. Its ally Rashtriya Lok Dal won from Baghpat in West UP. BJP's success had greater political significance in some key districts, including Rae Bareli (which houses Congress president Sonia Gandhi's Parliamentary seat), SP's citadels in Mainpuri, Sambhal districts and also Kannauj district, which houses former Parliamentary seats Yadav and wife Dimple Yadav.

In Ayodhya, BJP candidate Roli Singh defeated SP candidate by a margin of 20 votes, reportedly aided by cross voting by the SP-backed Zila Panchayat members. The Zila Panchayat chairperson poll in Ayodhya on Saturday saw skirmishes between ruling BJP and opposition SP supporters, forcing the district police chief to take charge of the security arrangements himself.

GOOGLY?

Dhoni, s/o Sachin Tendulkar, applies for teacher's job in Chhattisgarh

EJAZ KAISER @ Raipur

AN applicant for the post of a contractual teacher was Mahendra Singh Dhoni and his father's name was Sachin Tendulkar — the two cricket legends.

What's more, is that the Chhattisgarh school education department shortlisted Dhoni as a candidate for the interview for contractual teachers in Raigarh district, about 150 kilometres east of Raipur.

Based on his 98 per cent score achieved in graduation, his name figured at the top of the list of candidates.

The teacher selection was conducted for the state government-owned English medium schools, which became exceptionally popular in the first year of their launch.

The new school education system equally caters to poor or underprivileged children. Online applications were invited by the school education department to fill the post for contractual teachers.

'Dhoni,' however, did not turn up on the scheduled July 2 interview. The interview panel members got suspicious and decided to lodge a police complaint on the "fake application."

"We strongly suspect something is wrong. We have informed the school education department and lodged a police complaint asking for a proper investigation," said RP Aditya, education officer of Raigarh.

'Dhoni' is a resident of the capital Raipur and had shown himself as a graduate from Durg-based Chhatrapati Shivaji Institute of Technology.

Interview list Teacher- English Leng. 02-07-2021

Teacher (UDT)	Applicant's Name	Father/Husband's Name	CG Domicile	Name Of District	Medium
English Language	Mahendra Singh Dhoni	Sachin Tendulkar	Yes	Raipur	English
English Language	KRITI DIXIT	GAURAV SHANKAR DIXI	Yes	RAIGARH	English
English Language	BRIJESH SINGH RAJ	SHRI VISAMBER PRASA	Yes	Janjgir champa	English
English Language	Lakhan Lal	Bhagtu bareth	Yes	Raigarh	English
English Language	shreya saluja	shishu kumar saluja	Yes	raigarh	English
English Language	RAMKUMAR YADAV	MANOHAR LAL YADAV	Yes	KABIRDHAM (KAWA	English

'Dhoni' was shortlisted for the interview for contractual teachers in Raigarh district.

FORCED CONVERSION
Family of 16-year-old girl in Agra accused of forcibly converting her into Islam and marrying her off against her wishes, said the police

4 ARRESTED WITH 16 CRUDE BOMBS IN ANANDAPUR, KOLKATA

	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	39	31	Mumbai	32	27
Bhopal	35	26	Panaji	30	26
Jaipur	36	29	Patna	34	28
Amritsar	36	28	Lucknow	39	31
Chennai	35	27	Port Blair	32	27
Kolkata	33	27	Imphal	29	21
Srinagar	33	14	Chandigarh	40	29

Rawat's exit Part I of govt's reset roadmap

'Tired' ministers in the Union Cabinet are likely to be asked to 'retire' in the next round of rejuvenation exercise

MANISH ANAND @ New Delhi

THE ouster of Tirath Singh Rawat as Uttarakhand chief minister is seen within the BJP as the first step for a reset in the wake of the second wave of Covid-19 pandemic. Party leaders anticipate a reset in the government at the Centre, too, to weed out "tired and fatigued" ministers.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has discussed 'reset roadmap' with top functionaries in the government and BJP chief J P Nadda, which will be visible soon in the Cabinet reshuffle, likely soon.

After the June 30 meeting of the council of ministers presided over by the PM, the party is abuzz that several ministers of states have been asked to resign and make space for fresh faces.

As for Rawat, the handling of Kumbh seems to have sealed his fate. "The way the Kumbh at Hardwar was organised, particularly the utter disregard for Covid-19 protocol for which the onus fully rested with the state leadership and the administration, is widely believed to have contributed in the spike of the Covid-19 cases. The subsequent revelations that fake negative

certificates were issued at Kumbh further hit Rawat's stock with the BJP brass," said a senior party leader.

Rawat's inability to establish a grip on the state administration was also noted by the party leadership at the Centre, which increasingly became convinced that he wouldn't succeed in leading a united party in the assembly elections next year.

Rawat could have easily stayed till September by when the mandatory six-month period for his election to state legislature would have expired. Though the Representation of People's Act sets the norms for a minimum of one year of the remainder term for holding bypolls, BJP leaders said the "extraordinary circumstances" could still have impressed upon EC the need to hold bypoll.

Long list of controversies in shortest stint as CM

VINEET UPADHYAY @ Dehradun

THE man to have had the shortest tenure as Uttarakhand CM is also the one with a bagful of controversial remarks and incidents that happened during his 115 days in the hot seat. Before Tirath Singh Rawat resigned, another BJP man, Bhagat Singh Koshyari held the record for the shortest stint as CM of the state — 122 days.

Almost every day of Rawat's reign was eventful. One of his first decisions after being sworn in was to shower flowers on devotees attending the Mahakumbh. He withdrew the restrictions imposed by his predecessor Trivendra Singh Rawat, who had said he wanted the Kumbh to be 'symbolic' due to the pandemic. The holy dip drew over 40 lakh by official estimates and triggered a 2600% rise in active Covid-19 cases in Uttarakhand between March 31 and April 30. Then came the

fake testing scam and news of under-reporting of deaths, which drew flak from the Uttarakhand High Court.

In between, Rawat's remarks made national headlines. Speaking at a workshop on preventing substance abuse, Rawat blamed wearing torn jeans for a host of malaises. He elaborated how, while aboard a flight once, the sight of a mother of two in a pair of "ripped jeans" made him repulsive. He held this culture responsible for 'societal breakdown' and said if parents set bad examples, children veer towards substance abuse. Another remark that more children will fetch more free ration raised hackles, too.

Jay Singh Rawat, political commentator from Dehradun, felt the fallout of Kumbh and reckless statements proved costly. "His actions as well as speeches caused huge uproar nationwide. Kumbh becoming a super spreader made things worse, as it damaged India's reputation internationally. The fake tests scam acted as the last nail in the coffin."

Ninth CM of the state carved out of Uttar Pradesh in November 2000, Rawat was keen on holding the Char Dham Yatra as well, despite the disastrous consequences of Kumbh. Although the high court has stayed the state's decision to hold the yatra, the Uttarakhand government under Rawat decided to challenge this in Supreme Court.

Later, addressing a gathering in Nainital district, he seemed to have sarcastically suggested that having more children would have got families bigger shares of the ration provided by the government during the pandemic. In this scheme, families were provided 5 kg per adult per month. "Those with 10 (adults in the family) got 50 kg, those with 20 got a quintal and those with two got 10 kg. People started storing and found buyers," he had said.

On a serious note, the Kumbh aftermath prwoved most damaging. A preliminary inquiry revealed a lot of Covid-19 tests done during the Mela were fake. FIRs were filed. A special investigation team was constituted. The issue is sub judice at present. Mela officials are being interrogated.

"His legacy will be one of controversies. This short tenure was not easy for him, but more difficult for the people. History won't be kind to him," says Yogesh Kumar, another political analyst in Dehradun.

From Army family, Dhami has RSS roots

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Dehradun

SECOND among four children, the young Pushkar Singh Dhami, the new chief minister of Uttarakhand, learned to become responsible from an early age.

His father served in the Indian Army and Dhani helped his three sisters and mother in the household chores and other works.

Born in Tundi village of Didihaat tehsil of Pithoragarh district in 1975, Dhami is a law graduate in human resource management and industrial relations from the University of Lucknow.

Financial constraints could never stop young Dhami from pursuing higher education. His school education up to Class 12 took place in various government schools in the Himalayan state.

For nine years from 1990, he remained active with the Akhil Bharatiya Vidyarthi Parishad, the student wing of the RSS.

After Uttarakhand was carved out from Uttar Pradesh in 2000, Dhami became state president of the Bhartiya Janata Yuva Morcha, the youth wing of the saffron party, in the year 2002.

He has served in the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh and its sister organisations for 33 years.

Dhami won his first elections in 2012 as an MLA from Khatima constituency in Udham Singh Nagar district.

Bengal govt rejects 50% of Cyclone Yaas compensation claims

PRANAB MONDAL @ Kolkata

TAKING a lesson from the Amphan compensation controversy, which the BJP had used as a political tool ahead of the assembly polls, the Mamata Banerjee government is being extra careful in verifying claims of Cyclone Yaas victims. Over 50 per cent of applications for compensation in the wake of Cyclone Yaas that ravaged parts of the state in May have been identified as bogus after inspections and spot verifications. Of the 3,81,470 applications received seeking compensation, over 1,80,000 were rejected.

Many grassroots Trinamool Congress functionaries and their relatives had siphoned off compensation money meant for Cyclone Amphan victim last year, leading to a lot of anger and disgruntlement among genuine sufferers. In view of this, the government decided not to engage local panchayats to finalise the list of Yaas victims for awarding relief.

"This time, the local administration set up camps under the banner of Duare Tran (relief at doorstep) in the affected areas, a brainchild of the chief minister. During the inspections and spot verifications, a huge volume of applications for compensation was found to be false," said an official at the state secretariat. Citing an example, he said the coastal district of East Midnapore, which was badly affected by Cyclone Yaas, the government received 1,17,654 applications for compensations and after spot verification, more than 72,000 were cancelled.

Sources said during inspections, officials found many phone numbers on the applications to be fake. Also visits to many sites had no sign of devastation, as claimed in the applications.

Last year, many local TMC functionaries and their relatives, who are living in concrete houses and were not even touched by Amphan, had to refund the compensation amounts after the corruption controversy surfaced. The party show-caused and expelled a number of satraps. The BJP made it its political tool to attack the Mamata government in the run-up to the recent assembly elections.

Affected district	Applications received	Applications rejected
South 24 Parganas	1,62,586	60,000+
East Midnapore	1,17,654	72,000+
North 24 Parganas	51,801	12,000+
West Midnapore	30,039	27,000+
Howrah	18,802	9,400+
Hooghly	336	85
Birbhum	252	51

LAUNDERING CASE

Third notice from ED to Deshmukh

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Mumbai

THE Enforcement Directorate issued summons for the third time to former Maharashtra home minister Anil Deshmukh on Saturday, asking him to appear on July 5 in connection with a money laundering case.

Deshmukh has earlier skipped the summons twice. The NCP leader said the ED asked him to appear in its Mumbai office. "However, I have conveyed them to provide the copy of ECIR as a part of natural justice and what documents they need... I am more than 70 years. In a pandemic, it is difficult to appear in person. I will be available via audiovisual platform," he said.

The ED, however, dismissed the request. In its remand application, the ED, which arrested Deshmukh's private secretary Sanjeev Palande and private assistant Kundan Shinde, claimed over ₹4 crore, collected from bar owners between December 2020 and February 2021, was routed to Deshmukh's charitable trust in Nagpur through four shell companies in Delhi.

The ED probe is in line with the CBI probe into former Mumbai Police Commissioner Param Bir Singh's allegations of corruption against the NCP leader.

POWER STRUGGLE
Police use water cannons to disperse the Aam Aadmi Party workers who were protesting outside Punjab Chief Minister Captain Amarinder Singh's farmhouse in Mohali on Saturday against the long power cuts in the state | PTI

Stan Swamy challenges UAPA rule denying bail

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Mumbai

ELGAR PARISHAD case accused Father Stan Swamy has moved the Bombay High Court challenging the constitutional validity of section 43-D (5) of the Unlawful Activities Prevention Act (UAPA), which imposes strict conditions for grant of bail, for violating Articles 14,19 and 21 of the Constitution.

The octogenarian tribal activist in his writ petition submitted that section 43D (5) creates an "unsurmountable" hurdle to anyone seeking bail under UAPA, thus making it violate Articles 14 and 21 of the Constitution. These articles relate to a person's right for equality in front of law and the right to liberty.

The plea filed through advocate Mihir Joshi has also urged the HC to quash and set aside the terminology "all its formations and front organisations" in the first schedule of UAPA for being violative of constitutional provisions.

The activist has also sought to be enlarged on bail on furnishing bail bond and surety, while challenging the Special Court's order that rejected his bail application. As an alternative, Swamy has sought directions to keep him under house arrest at his residence in Jharkhand during the pendency of the trial.

"The grant of bail is the norm and its denial should be an exception because an accused who is presumed to be innocent until proven guilty should not be denied his freedom," the plea has said.

One killed in Chhattisgarh Naxal attack

RAIPUR: An employee of a private firm was killed in a Maoist attack at an iron ore mining site in Chhattisgarh's Narayanpur district on Saturday. The rebels torched six vehicles and machinery, according to police.

The incident took place in Dongar hills in Aamdai Ghati area, 350 km from the state capital Raipur, where Jayaswal Neco Industries Limited has been allotted an iron ore mine.

Security personnel were rushed to the area after information was received about the attack and an exchange of fire took place between the Naxals and, said a police officer.

Production is yet to start at the mines and pre-mining area development work was underway, officials said. *ENS*

Maharashtra govt plans OBC survey with local body poll quota in mind

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

UNDER pressure from Other Backward Classes (OBC) and in view of non-cooperation from central government, the Maha Vikas Aghadi government has decided to conduct a population survey of OBC community on its own to ensure political reservations to the community.

Maharashtra has been witnessing huge protests after the Supreme Court order cancelling political reservations for OBCs in local body elections. The state government has also decided to file a review petition in the Supreme Court. Meanwhile, it had sought empirical data from the central government so that it can enact a law for OBC reservations in local body polls, but the Centre did not respond.

CENTRE FACES FLAK FOR NOT PROVIDING DATA

"It is good that Maharashtra government has decided to collect the data to ensure reservations to OBCs," said activist Hari Narake, slamming the Centre for not providing empirical data to the state.

Chief Minister Uddhav Thackeray, in a letter to Governor Bhagat Singh Koshyari, said that in his meeting with Prime Minister Narendra Modi, he had raised the issue and expected co-operations. The CM also requested the governor to pursue the matter issue with the central government so that they can resolve this issue jointly.

While it continues to seek help from the Centre regarding population data, sources said the state government has issued an order asking the State Backward Commission to conduct the survey to collect the data on OBC population. "The order did not mention the timeframe to collect the data. However, due to the pandemic situation, it will take at least four-five months," said a government source. OBC leaders have demanded that till this issue is sorted out, local body elections should not be held in the state.

Social activist Hari Narake tweeted that in 2011, the central government had conducted a social and economical survey and has the empirical data, but it is not providing the same to respective states. "This is very unfortunate. This will deprive the OBC community of their rights," he added.

Rly staff rewarded for 'outstanding performance'

The East Central Railway, headquartered at Hajipur in Bihar, rewarded its 145 employees and officers of various departments on Rail Week for their outstanding performances. General manager L C Trivedi, who has since retired, gave away cash award and shields to 84 under individual category and shields to 61 under collective category. Chief spokesperson of the zone Rajesh Kumar said that 'Efficiency' shields and 'All-Round Efficiency' shields were also given to the departments and divisions. "During 2020-21, the Dhanbad division of ECR became the first division of Indian Railway to earn the highest revenue from freight amid Covid-19 crisis by earning ₹14,297 crore by ferrying 133.42 ton goods and won the GM Efficiency shield," Kumar said.

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Research on 36 Covid-related medical projects

Doctors working with Patna -based Indira Gandhi Institute of Medical Sciences (IGIMS) have started conducting research on 36 projects related to Covid-19 after approvals by the Institutional Ethics Committee. Dr Manish Mandal, IGIMS Superintendent, said a galaxy of doctors, including Dr Rajesh Kumar, Dr Sanjay Kumar, Dr S Saha, Dr SK Nayan, Dr Jyoti Diwakar, Dr Pritpal Singh and Dr Richa Sinha are conducting the studies. Many other projects on various other issues have also been approved. Some of the projects include studying the effects on patients in case of prolonged recovery and rise in immunity level among health workers post-vaccination.

109-year-old library-cum -museum to be renovated

A 109-year-old library-cum-museum at Bharatpur under Vikram block of Patna district will be given a facelift, thanks to an initiative of district magistrate Chandrasekhar Singh. He recently visited Bharatpura and found the library in dire need of renovation. "This library-cum-museum was established on December 12, 1912, by Gopal Narayan Singh and still houses many rare manuscripts, artefacts, coins and other things of value," the Patna DM said, adding that the library committee of the district under his chairmanship will soon meet to discuss the details for the renovation.

One District One Product programme

Aimed at promoting specific food products from all 38 districts of Bihar at national level, the One District One Product programme has been launched by the Ministry of Food Processing Industries in partnership with the state government. As per the Bihar Foundation, indigenous and specialised food products like makhana from Darbhnaga, honey from Vaishali, papaya form Gopalganj, Jardalu mango from Bhagalpur, banana from Purnia, Karani rice from Kaimur, pineapple from Kishanganj and other food products will be promoted by creating specific industrial hubs.

300
healthcare workers in Italy have legally challenged the requirement that they get vaccinated against coronavirus

GLOBAL WEATHER

LR: Light Rain • HR: Heavy Rain • TDS: Thundershower • LC: Light Cloud • SNY: Sunny

Beijing	31	21	LC	Los Angeles	28	16	SNY
Colombo	30	26	TDS	Melbourne	13	7	LR
Dhaka	31	26	TDS	Moscow	24	16	LC
Dubai	42	32	SNY	New York	25	19	HR
Houston	31	25	TDS	Singapore	30	27	TDS
Istanbul	28	21	HR	Toronto	22	17	SNY
London	20	14	LR	Washington	28	19	LC

Mud and debris at the scene of a landslide in Atami in Shizuoka Prefecture on Saturday| AFP

Rain, landslides pound Japanese resort town

Two bodies found, 20 people still missing, homes swept away following days of downpour

TOKYO

TWO bodies were found after a huge landslide at a resort town in central Japan swept away homes on Saturday, with around 20 people still missing, officials said.

Television footage showed a torrent of mud obliterating buildings as it crashed down a hillside in Atami, southwest of Tokyo, sending people fleeing as it buried part of a road.

"I heard a horrible sound and saw a mudslide flowing downwards as rescue workers were urging people to evacuate. So I ran to higher ground," the head of a temple near the disaster told public broadcaster NHK.

"When I returned, houses and cars that were in front of the temple were gone."

Prime Minister Yoshihide Suga said emergency services and the military had launched rescue and evacuation missions, warning that more downpours were forecast.

"There is a possibility of heavy rain due to the rain front, so we still need to be alert at the maximum level," he said at an emergency disaster meeting.

Atami saw rainfall of 313 millimetres in just 48 hours to Saturday -- higher than the average monthly total for July of 242.5 millimetres, according to NHK. Two people were "found in a state of cardio and respiratory arrest", the regional governor said, an expression often used in Japan before confirming death.

"Because of the heavy rain, the ground loosened and the mudslide occurred... it picked up speed and swept away houses together with people," Shizuoka Governor Heita Kawakatsu told reporters.

He said "around 20" people were still missing after being swept away by the landslide.

The disaster began at around 10:30 am at a river near the city, which is around 90km from Tokyo and is famous as a hot spring resort.

A video posted on TikTok from the scene showed a huge slurry of mud and debris sliding slowly down a steep road and nearly engulfing a white car, which drove away before a faster and more violent torrent arrived.

In other clips on social media, the landslide was seen toppling electricity poles, with large areas left inundated by several waves of earth.Much of Japan is currently in its annual rainy season, which lasts several weeks and often causes floods and landslides, prompting local authorities to issue evacuation orders. *AFP*

Hundreds of Taliban fighters killed in fierce Afghanistan battles

KABUL

HUNDREDS of Taliban fighters were killed in fierce battles with government forces across several provinces of Afghanistan, officials said on Saturday, as Washington announced it would finish withdrawing its troops from the country by the end of August.

Washington's announcement came after all US and NATO troops vacated their main Bagram Air Base, from where the coalition forces led operations for two decades against the Taliban and their Al-Qaeda allies.

Over the past 24 hours, more than 300 Taliban fighters were killed in fighting with government forces, the Ministry of Defence said Saturday.

Scores were killed in air strikes, including a pre-dawn assault on Saturday, in the southern province of Helmand, where the insurgents and government troops have regularly clashed.

There have been fears that Afghan forces would struggle without the air support that the United States has provided.

"In recent days, the Afghan air force has intensified its air strikes against the Taliban hideouts and the insurgents have suffered casualties," Ataullah Afghan, a member of Helmand provincial council, told AFP. The Taliban rejected the government's claims.

Both sides often exaggerate each other's casualties and their claims are difficult to independently verify.

But since May 1 when the US military began its final withdrawal of about 2,500 troops, the two warring sides have clashed fiercely across the rugged countryside as peace talks between them have faltered.

Afghan National Army soldiers stand guard at a road checkpoint outside Bagram Air Base, some 70km north of Kabul | AFP FILE

As a result, the Taliban have seized dozens of districts in blistering assaults targeting government forces.

The insurgents have encircled almost all major cities across the country, and on Saturday claimed seizing seven more districts in the north-eastern province of Badakhshan.

Top US envoy to Kabul, Ross Wilson, lashed out at the insurgents.

"The Taliban is using violent propaganda and hate speech to intimidate, threaten & attack Afghans on social media," Wilson said on Twitter on Saturday. "Violence and terror cannot create peace."

The Pentagon pressed on with its withdrawal to end America's longest war.

Over the years, Bagram, the mini-city some 70km north of Kabul, has been visited by hundreds of thousands of US and NATO service members and contractors.

It has great military and symbolic significance.

"For many Afghans, Bagram is remembered as the hub for more than one foreign intervention, as it was the main air base for the Soviets throughout their occupation as well," said Andrew Watkins, an Afghanistan expert at the International Crisis Group. *AFP*

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Mines & Geology Department
New Secretariat, Patna - 800 015

NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER
(Through e-procurement mode only over) (https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in)
Tender Notice No: Vivid-09/19

Mines & Geology Department invites tender for Selection of Consultant for preparation of District Survey Report for Mines & Geology Department, Government of Bihar

SL No.	Scope of work	Cost of tender document (In Rupees)	Tender processing Fee(Non Refundable) (inclusive of GST @18.00%) to be paid through e-payment mode (i.e. NEFT/RTGS/,Credit Card/Debit card) (inRupees)	Earnest Money (In Rupees)	Time of Completion
1	2	3	4	5	6
01	Selection of Consultant for preparation of District Survey Report for Mines & Geology Department,Govt. of Bihar	Rs.11,800.00	Rs. 5,900.00	Rs. 5,00,000.00	Initially for a period of 1 Year (12 months) extendablefor another 3 years maximum, on year to yearrenewal basis, subject to satisfactory performance ofthe agency.

Tender Schedule/Programme:

S. no	Information	Details
1.	RFP No. and Date	*RFP No.: Vivid-09/19* To be available online from 20.07.2021 by 11.00 AM onwards till 09.08.2021 05.00 PM at https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in
2.	Date of pre-bid conference	28.07.2021, 03.00 PM at Meeting Hall of Mines & Geology Department, Govt. of Bihar , New secretariat Patna-800015 Contact- 9431071031
3.	Last date for submission of written queries for clarifications	29.07.2021, 05.00 pm. Clarification may be submitted at this - Email: biharmines@gmail.com https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in , https://state.bihar.gov.in/mines
4.	Release of response to clarifications	02.08.2021 *at 05.00 PM* https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in / https://state.bihar.gov.in/mines
5.	Bid validity period	180 days from the last date (deadline) for submission of proposals.
6.	Last date (deadline) for submission of bids	09-08-2021, 05.00 pm https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in
7.	Opening of Technical Bids	10.08.2021, 05.30 PM

S. no	Information	Details
8.	Place, Time and Date of opening of Financial proposals received in response to the RFP notice	*To be intimated*
9.	Contact person	**Mr. Sanjay Kumar** Additional Director, Mines & Geology Department,Govt. of Bihar Mob. No.: 9431071031

- Bidder needs to pay Rs. 11,800/- as Tender Fee.
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No. IADB/ENGG/PMC/EPTND-EP-01/3302/2021-22 Date:03.07.2021

NOTICE INVITING TENDER FOR PROVIDING PROJECT MANAGEMENT CONSULTANCY SERVICES.
(Through GOK e – Procurement Portal Only)

KIADB is inviting tender for providing consultancy services for Project Management Consultancy Services from Consulting Firms under two cover system for the work of Consulting Services for Proof Checking of Design, Project Management Consultancy for the work of **Formation of 30m wide approach Road including Asphalting, Construction of RCC Drains, Culverts & Other Allied Works from State Highway SH-82 (Hoskote-Chinthamani Road) Approach Road to Mastenahalli Industrial Area, Kaiwara Hobli, Chinthamani Taluk, Chikkaballapura District.**

The last date and time of receipt of tender is : **23.07.2021 upto 04:00 pm**

Applicants May Download Bidding Documents from the E-Procurement Portal **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in.**

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Date: 02.07.2021

Tender Notification (Through e-procurement)

On behalf of the Governor of Karnataka, Tenders are invited as per Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Act 2000 for implementation of below mentioned works under Jal Jeevan Mission Scheme coming under the limits of Rural Drinking Water and Sanitation Division, Shivamogga.

Indent No.: : 1) 30869/call3, 2)30982/call2, 3) 30943/call2 4) 30979/call2, 5)29852/call2, 6) 29872/call-2, 7) 27656/call4, 8) 29879/call2

Tender details, conditions and corrigendum or changes are available in website https://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in and eligible contractors can submit their bids and necessary documents only in the website

Some conditions of the Tender: **1.** Last date for receiving Tenders from contractors: 08.07.2021 at 5.30 PM. **2.** Date of opening financial bid of Single Cover: 10.07.2021. **3.** Time period fixed for completion of the work: 2 Months (60 Days)

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Rural Drinking Water and Sanitation Division, Shivamogga.

DIPR/smg/No.27/07/mca/21-22

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RE-TENDER NOTIFICATION Date:02.07.2021

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Sl No.	Re-Tender Notification Number	Tender Description	Estimated Tender Value	Last Date & Time for submission of Tender / Bids	Date & Time of Technical Bid Opening
01.	MPVL/2021-22/ BUILDING RENT/CALL-2	Rent for MPVL Paint House Building	Rs.31.00 Lakh	20.07.2021 @ 17.00 Hrs	23.07.2021 @ 11.00 Hrs

Interested parties may visit **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in,** for details and participating in the tender.

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I, **RITESH PRAVEEN ZAVERI** S/o **Pravinbhai Zaveri,** R/at No.39, 2nd floor, 4th Cross, Bapuji Layout, Vijayanagar 2nd Stage, Bangalore-560040 have changed my name to **RITESH PRAVINBHAI ZAVERI** vide affidavit dated:02/ 07/2021 Before Notary **M.K.Devaki** Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SAVITHA YALLANA GOUDA PATIL,** W/o Sanjay Jayadevanna, Residing at No. 1215, 4th Cross, 3rd Main, HAL 3rd Stage, Near Ganesh Temple, Thipasandra, Bangalore-560075, Karnataka, have changed my name from **SAVITHA YALLANA GUDDA PATIL** to **SAVITHA YALLANA GOUDA PATIL** vide affidavit dated 23.6.2021 sworn before M. Radhamma, Advocate & Notary, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SUSMITA DAS,** W/o JWO Suman Kumar Das, R/o SMQ 898/4, Prasad Enclave, Jalahalli West, Bengaluru, have changed my name from **SUSMITA DAS** to **TAPASWINI DAS,** vide affidavit no. IN-KA34968567609876T dated 01.07.2021 at Bengaluru.

AFFIDAVIT
I, **JAGADEESH V,** S/o Late Sri C. Venkatamuniyappa, age 50 years, resident at No. 22, 3rd Cross, Pavamana Nagar, Kothanur Dinne, Near B.K. Circle, J.P. Nagar 8th Phase, Bangalore-78, Karnataka do hereby declare that I have changed my son's name from **RIDHVAL .J** to **RIDHAV RIDHU J,** hereafter he shall be known and called as **RIDHAV RIDHU .J** only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 1st July 2021, sworn before Advocate and Notary **MAHESHA J.J.** at Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT
I, **SUNIL KUMAR D.R.,** residing at #14/1, Chowdeshwari Nilaya, 2nd Right Cross, Bohra Layout, Gottigere, Bannerghatta Road, Bengaluru-560083, have changed the name of my minor daughter from **SHRESHTA .S GOWDA** to **PUNATHEIA SUNIL,** vide affidavit dated 02/07/2021 sworn before Notary **H.G. Venkataramu,** Bengaluru.

AFFIDAVIT
I, **NADEEM AHMED,** residing at # 6, 1st Floor, Jalaal Residency, Susheela Road Compound, Near MES School, Dodda Mavalli, Bengaluru-560094 have changed the name of my minor son from **SUFIYAN AHMED** to **DANISH AHMED,** vide affidavit dated 01/07/2021, sworn before Notary **N. Nagappa,** Bengaluru.

AFFIDAVIT
I, **CHOWDAPPA N.S,** S/o Sri Siddappa N, age 38 years, R/at No. 13, G.M. Cottege, Near Gruhalaxmi Layout, Suvarna Nagar, Nagasandra Post, Doddabidarakallu, Bangalore North-560 073 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **CHOWAPPA N.S.** to **SUNIL N.S.,** hereafter I shall be known and called as **SUNIL N.S.** only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 1-7-2021, sworn before Advocate and Notary **CHANDRASHEKARAIAH S.** at Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT
I, Balaji Vishwanatha Sooda S/o. Kerebettu Vishwanatha Sooda, Aged about 54 years, R/at R-202, Purva Venizia Yelahanka New Town, Bengaluru-560064, have changed my name as **BALAJI SOODA** vide affidavit dated 03-07-2021 sworn before notary, B.R. Shashikala, Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT
I, **SRI MADHUSUDHANA .R,** S/o Sri Raju, age 27 years, R/at No. 102, Jaraganahalli Grama Main Road, Chinnamuniyappa Garden, Near Sree Prasanna Gangadhareshwara Temple, J.P. Nagar 6th Phase, Bangalore-78 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **MADHU .R** to **MADHUSUDHANA .R,** hereafter I shall be known and called as **MADHUSUDHANA .R** only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 3rd July 2021, sworn before Advocate and Notary **B.G. Sriram** at Bangalore.

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$608.9 bn was India's forex reserve as of June 25, according to RBI data. This was an increase of $5.066 billion over the previous week

PNB may plot new plan for PNB Housing

The controlling shareholder is likely to have voted against the deal with Carlyle Group

SESA SEN @ New Delhi

PUNJAB National Bank (PNB), which is the controlling shareholder of PNB Housing Finance Co. Ltd, is likely to come up with 'Plan B' to raise capital after several corporate governance concerns — ranging from allegations of conflict of interest to being 'unfair' to minority shareholders — have clouded the proposed ₹4,000-crore deal with the Carlyle Group-led investors. Sources say that the state-run lender may also have voted against the fundraising plan in the extraordinary general meeting held on June 22.

"All mandated procedures have been followed to ensure the deal goes through. Still, the promoter is likely to have voted against the deal with Carlyle Group with valuations being questioned. It may plot a new plan to raise funds," said a person in the know on condition of anonymity. It is, however, not clear if PNB will now opt to retain its control over the home financing subsidiary or surrender it to Carlyle Group-led investors after extracting fair compensation — control premium. A key message from proxy advisory firms is that a rights issue — instead of a preferential allotment to Carlyle group and other new investors who together will control PNB Housing Finance — would have been fair and the best option.

The key shareholders of PNB Housing are — PNB (32%), Carlyle (32%), General Atlantic (10%), Ares SSG (10%). According to the terms of the deal, PNB Housing will sell shares worth ₹3,200 crore and ₹800 crore worth of warrants to the Carlyle Group, Aditya Puri's family investment vehicle Salisbury Investments, General Atlantic and Alpha Investments at ₹390 apiece, which is at a much lower price than its current market value. Post the deal, Carlyle Group will also become a promoter and PNB's shareholding will get diluted to a little over 20%, making it a smaller partner.

Describing the deal as an "unfair transaction" against the interests of shareholders, J N Gupta, co-founder and managing director of Stakeholders Empowerment Services (SES), said that it sees PNB having lost at least ₹2,000 crore in not insisting on a rights issue and questioned why PNB is 'gifting away' control without extracting fair compensation.

Based on this, Sebi halted the deal and directed the company to undertake valuation of shares by a registered valuer. But, PNB Housing defended the deal and moved the Securities Appellate Tribunal (SAT) challenging Sebi's directive. SAT, meanwhile, allowed the voting to continue, with the caveat that the outcome of the vote will not be disclosed. SAT will now hear the matter on July 5.

NEWSCOPE

A COMMUNIST PARTY THAT HELMS STATE CAPITALISM

GURBIR SINGH

AMIT BANDRE

A communist party, in the traditional Marxist mode, will normally celebrate a futuristic vision of One International – a world without boundaries and borders. Not the Chinese Communist Party (CCP).

On July 1, Xi Jinping, General Secretary of the CCP and President of the People's Republic of China, opened the world's most powerful party's centenary celebrations with a strong 'nationalist' message. "China will never allow foreign forces to bully, oppress or enslave us," Xi thundered from Gate of the Heavenly Peace on Tiananmen Square, in Beijing.

"Whoever nurses delusions of doing that will crack their heads and spill blood on the Great Wall of steel built from the flesh and blood of 1.4 billion Chinese people." Strong words indeed!

The Chinese Communist Party, today 95 million strong, has come a long way from the rag-tag group that launched it in Shanghai in 1921. It grew rapidly as a unifying force against first a Japanese occupation army, and later waged a bitter civil war against General Chiang Kai-shek's government forces. Leading the Red Army, the Party consolidated itself with the Long March, retreating to Shaanxi Province after a grueling 6,000-kilometer trek in 1934 to escape encirclement; and then finally took power in 1949, pushing out the Kuomintang to Taiwan.

Nationalist agenda

Unlike many a Communist Party that withered away, the CCP has grown on the back of a nationalist agenda. Even after taking power, the Party continued to redefine its country's borders, citing the wrongs of colonial maps and western 'imperialism'. The taking back of Hong Kong from the British, the uncompromising claims over Taiwan, and aggressive border tactics with India and in the South China Sea, have isolated China on the world stage; but it has drummed up unifying passions at home.

Many don't understand it, but Mao Zedong's 'nationalist' ideology flowered in China's peasant, pre-industrial society because it stood for fierce opposition to both Japanese and Western aggression, and unified a deeply divided society, steeped in Confucian fatalism. "We are at once internationalists and patriots, and our slogan is: Fight to defend the motherland against the aggressors," said Mao in 1938.

The CCP's 'nationalist' programme also translated into real progress. China is today the second largest economy in the world, after the US. The World Bank calls it an "upper middle-income country". Since China began to reform its economy in 1978, GDP growth has averaged 10% a year, and more than 800 million people have been lifted out of poverty. It's widely acknowledged that the vast masses have easy access to health, education, and other services.

Yet China is in the throes of a serious crisis, as growth moderates to about 6.5%. It has an ageing population, and the country's increasing isolation and its trade disputes with other countries, has created shortages. Repression is endemic to the system: the stamping out of Hong Kong's democracy movement, and the imprisonment of thousands of Muslim minority communities – the Uyghurs, Kazaks and other Turkic groups – in reeducation camps is routine statecraft.

Communist or Capitalist?

Finally, what sort of party is the CCP today? Marxist idealogues – Lenin and Mao – both predicted that keeping the Communist ideal alive after taking power is far more difficult than seizing power from decadent feudal and monarchist forces. The living proof is the demise of the Soviet Communist Party, which collapsed soon after the Cold War.

In the case of the Communist Party of China, the historical mistakes of the Soviet Party taught Mao to lay down a line of a continuing revolution. Classes and class struggle are not abolished with the stroke of a pen and will continue well after a socialist state is established. In fact, pro-Capitalist groups seek to recapture power imbedding themselves in the communist party, he predicted.

This line gave birth to the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution, the Chinese party's shot at cleansing the 'capitalist roaders' from the party in 1966. Mao called the party faithful to "bombard the headquarters" or to remove those 'revisionists' in leadership positions who had given up the cause of communism. His slogan "it is right to rebel" moved millions to a new wave of class struggle in China.

With Mao's passing away in 1976, died China's vision of Permanent Revolution. In his place came Deng Xiaoping who ushered in reforms that coupled China with the international capitalist system, and drew a path of rapid, export led growth. Class struggle and revolution were posted to the back burner, and the worship of Mammon was officially legitimized. Deng summed it up in his famous words: "It doesn't matter whether a cat is white or black, as long as it catches mice." China changed colour and course and reorganised its economy on the lines of state capitalism.

Today, under the tutelage of the Chinese Party, China is ruled by a new elite; and it exercises class oppression of a new, sophisticated kind. Technology, developed to dizzying heights, is used for command and control. China has the most complex and successful digital firewalls to control the internet and the access to content by its citizens. Artificial intelligence is used by security services to identify and neutralise dissidents via facial recognition techniques.

On the international front, the Chinese state is a partner to oppressive regimes like the Myanmar junta.

The Chinese Communist Party is an instrument of authoritarian rule today. The original idealism and the passion for a classless society has evaporated. Only the shell remains.

Vodafone Idea needs capital, and fast to break the duopoly in telcom sector

JONATHAN ANANDA @ Chennai

INDIA's private telecom services sector may be tumbling headlong into an effective duopoly with Bharti Airtel and Reliance Jio punching it out for the top spot, but it isn't one yet.

Because Vodafone Idea (VIL), the third private player in the equation, has managed to get a grip on some crucial metrics over the past few quarters. But if it is to star in a proper comeback story, VIL needs capital. Urgently. It is this rather glaring lack of capital at a time when the company needs it by the spadeful, that seems to have spooked many investors. Following the declaration of its results for the financial year and the quarter ended March 31, 2021 on Wednesday, its stock lost nearly a fifth of its value (18.5%) over the next two sessions, closing Friday at ₹8.8 per share.

The fourth quarter's results, though, were largely in line with expectations. Revenue from operations fell by 11.75% compared to the previous quarter ended December 2020. It fell by 18.26% as compared to the corresponding quarter of the previous year. But this decline is largely attributable to the removal of the interconnect usage charges (IUC) system from January this year, a change that dented the top lines of all telecom services providers in the quarter. VIL's average revenue per user (ARPU) consequently came down to ₹107 from ₹121. Its net loss narrowed on a year-on-year basis from ₹11,643.5 crore in Q4FY20 to ₹7,022.8 crore in Q4FY21, but widened sequentially from ₹4,532.1 crore in the quarter ended December 2020. But VIL has managed to stem losses in its gross subscriber base over the last two quarters of FY21 at around 2 million, compared to losses of 11.3 million and 8 million in the previous two. More importantly, it has also managed to add to the more lucrative 4G and overall data consumer userbase.

Large cash outflows

Nevertheless, its biggest problem remains cash. Or the lack of it. And on that front, commentary from analysts has not been encouraging.

As of the end of March 31, 2021, its cash and cash equivalents stood at a meagre ₹350.3 crore. Set against that is a gross debt of ₹1.803 lakh crore as of March 31, 2021 — of which ₹96,270 crore comprises deferred spectrum obligations and ₹60,960 crore of AGR dues that it has to pay the Department of Telecommunications (DoT) over a ten-year timeframe. It also has debt worth ₹23,080 crore from banks and financial institutions.

In the notes attached along with the results, VIL also says that "as a result of the rating downgrade, certain lenders (have) asked for increase of interest rates and additional margin money/security against existing facilities", and that it "continues to be in discussion with the lenders for the next steps/waivers".

Against this bleak backdrop, VIL has substantial payments coming due from December this year. Existing debt of ₹8,045.4 crore and the next AGR instalment (₹9,000 crore) is payable by March 31, 2022; a spectrum payment installment of ₹8,211.7 crore is payable by April 9, 2022; and bank guarantees worth ₹7,039.9 crore are due to expire in the next twelve months. VIL also needs capital to invest in network expansion and upgrades.

According to analysts at Goldman Sachs, at its current earnings rate, "the company could have a ₹23,400 crore cash shortfall until April 2022". With its debt levels high and cash low, CLSA says that "it is headed for financial crisis when annual payments come due".

Many pieces at play

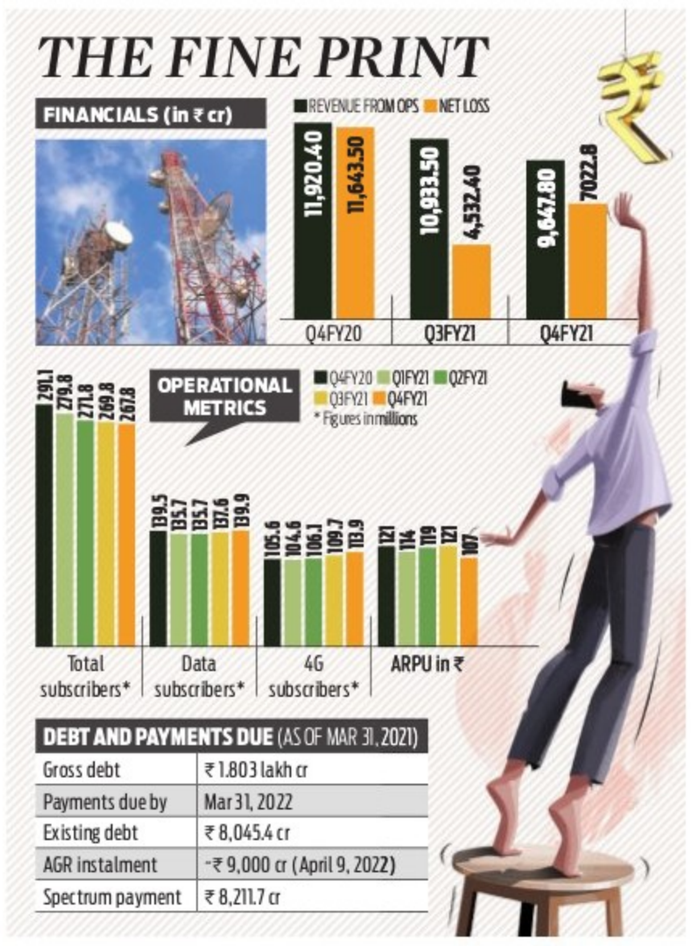
From comments made by VIL's top management, it is clear that the company is trying to mitigate the level of cash outflow confronting it.

It had approached the Supreme Court in January this year to allow the DoT to "correct errors" in AGR demands, but the matter is yet to be heard. It has also written to the DoT over additional AGR demands that it contests and is "awaiting a response from DoT".

In September last year, its Board had also approved a fund raise of ₹25,000 crore, but it has not managed to close it yet. Speaking during a post-earnings analysts' call, VIL CEO Ravinder Takkar said that the company did not need a Plan B if its funding plans fall through. "We have a plan... engaging with investors. We expect this to take place," he said, adding that the company was confident that funding will take place in the next few weeks.

But there are many pieces in play, and VIL needs most of them to fall into place to reach a more secure space. As laid down in the notes to its most recent financial results, "there exists material uncertainty" over its ability to continue as a going concern. This, it goes on to say, "is dependent on its ability to raise additional funds as required, successful negotiations with lenders on continued support, refinancing of debts, monetisation of certain assets, outcome of the modification application filed with the SC, and clarity (over) the next instalment amount, acceptance of its deferment request by DoT, and generation of cash flow from operations that it needs to settle or renew its liabilities or guarantees as they fall due".

In its research note, CLSA says that in the face of VIL's potential cash outgo, a review of AGR and tariff hikes are inevitable. If not, "the sector is headed towards a duopoly".



On fundraising, we are currently in active discussion with potential investors. I don't think there is any reason to start creating Plan B because funding is not happening. We are confident that funding will take place in the coming weeks —Vodafone Idea CEO Ravinder Takkar

Agreement on global digital tax likely to boost India-US trade negotiations

ANURADHA SHUKLA @ New Delhi

THE success of global tax treaty will pave the way for the India-US trade negotiations which were stuck over digital tax, officials in Commerce Ministry claims.

"The digital tax imposed on large US multinationals like Google, Facebook, Amazon was one of the stumbling block during the trade negotiations between the two countries. After the success of global tax treaty, this matter will be automatically resolved and will pave way for fresh negotiation," a senior official from commerce ministry said.

India imposed a 2% equalisation levy starting in April last year on earnings in the country by foreign technology and e-commerce companies like Amazon, Facebook and Google. It was opposed by the administration of former President Donald Trump, and he flagged the concerns many times, stopping trade negotiations. In 2018, Trump imposed 25% duties on steel and aluminium imports from India. In 2019, Trump withdrew the special treatment for some Indian exports, mostly low-tech items and handicrafts, under the General System of Preferences (GSP) that exempted them from import duties.

Later, even Biden government reinvigorated tariff war against India with retaliation against digital tax.

In June 2020, USTR initiated investigations into the digital services tax adopted or under consideration in ten jurisdictions: Austria, Brazil, the Czech Republic, European Union, India, Indonesia, Italy, Spain, Turkey, and the UK. The US Trade Representative had found India's 2% equalisation levy unreasonably contravening international tax principles and specifically discriminating against US digital companies. On June 2 this year, US Trade Representative Katherine Tai announced the plan for the 25% increase in the tariffs on 26 items from India — from prawns and Basmati rice to furniture and jewellery — in retaliation to New Delhi's Digital Services Tax (DST) imposition on tech giants.

"Estimates indicate that the value of DST payable by US-based company groups to India will be up to approx $55 million per year," Tai had said. But announcing it, Tai added that the hikes will be on hold till December.

Explaining the reason for holding the increases in abeyance for the six countries, Tai said it was to help the international negotiations on taxation. Now that India has agreed to join the treaty, it has to let go the equalisation tax and instead it will be able to tax big multinationals doing business in the country, without a physical presence or permanent establishment, at 20 per cent of their profits.

The framework got the approval of the G7 leaders last month and is expected to come up at the meeting of the finance ministers of the G20 group of major economies in Venice next week.

Business & Beyond

Repco Home Finance net profit jumps 32%

Repco Home Finance posted a 32% jump in its net profit to `63.2 crore in the fourth quarter of 2020-21. Total income stood at `340 crore while net interest income stood at `144.2 crore. Repco sanctioned `645 crore in loan during the quarter, while disbursed loans worth `640.4 crore. Interest spread expanded to 3.8%. For the full year, total income grew 3% to `1,392 crore. Net profit also grew by 3% to `288 crore during the year. Net interest income stood at `566 crore, according to a release.

Alliance Group on top-50 realtors list

Chennai-based real estate company Alliance Group & Urbanrise has made it to the coveted list of the Top 50 Real Estate Brands and Leaders 2020-21 by wealth. The list has been created by AsiaOne Media, a pioneer in research-based listing of brands.

SBI donates ration kits to frontline workers

SBI Chennai Circle under the aegis of SBI Foundation donated 600 dry ration kits to the frontline workers of Greater Chennai Corporation in recognition of their selfless and tireless contribution in fighting the pandemic. Radhakrishna R, Chief General Manager and Vinod Jaiswal, General Manager, SBI Chennai circle made the donation on the occasion of 66 SBI Bank Day celebrations.

Rotary Club donates mobile health unit

The Rotary Club of Madras handed over an exclusive mobile health unit, which will be used for vaccinating people at any location that the Greater Chennai Corporation chooses. This self-contained mobile unit will have cold storage equipment to store vaccines, an examination-cum-resting bed for patients who develop any adverse reactions, a bio-toilet, a reception area and chairs to vaccinate three at a time.

Mithali leading run-getter in women's internationals

Mithali Raj went past Charlotte Edwards' tally of 10,273 runs to become the highest run-scorer across formats in women's cricket during the third ODI against England women on Saturday. She scored an unbeaten 75 to help India women notch up a four-wicket win. Batting first, England women scored 219 in a game reduced to 47 overs due to rain.

IN-SIGNE OF CHAMPIONS

Italian players celebrate Lorenzo Insigne's 44th-minute strike against Belgium in Munich on Friday | AFP

Forward and Barella score one goal each to help Italy beat Belgium and set up last-four clash against Spain

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Including the qualifying rounds, Italy have won each of their last 15 European Championship matches, which is a new competition record. Belgium themselves had won 14 consecutive matches before the defeat to Italy.

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Number of goals scored by Romelu Lukaku in the European Championships. No Belgian player has scored more goals than him at Euros.

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ITALY's defenders celebrated their stops like the attacking players celebrated their goals.

Both had plenty of reason to be happy on Friday.

Nicolo Barella and Lorenzo Insigne scored a goal each while Leonardo Spinazzola made a key second-half block to give Italy a 2-1 win over Belgium and a spot in the European Championship semifinals.

"Everyone, myself included, is really playing with a smile on their faces," said Insigne. Romelu Lukaku kept his team in the game with a penalty right before halftime but the Belgians missed further chances to equalise in the second half as Italy's defenders excelled.

Barella put Italy in the lead in the 31st minute when Jan Vertonghen failed to properly clear the ball. Marco Verratti passed to Barella, who eluded two Belgium defenders before sending it in off the far post.

Insigne got the second in the 44th when he put a curling shot inside the far top corner after skipping past one defender and facing two more.

Result: Italy 2-1 Belgium; Denmark 2-1 Czech Republic

Denmark enter semis

Denmark's fairytale run at Euro 2020 will continue into the semi-finals after they beat the Czech Republic 2-1 in Baku on Saturday to move into a last-four meeting with England or Ukraine at Wembley.

First-half goals from Thomas Delaney and Kasper Dolberg were enough to see Kasper Hjulmand's men through despite a second-half rally from the Czechs inspired by Patrik Schick's fifth goal of the tournament.

Three weeks after Christian Eriksen suffered a cardiac arrest on the pitch in their first game, they are dreaming of a repeat of 1992 when Denmark won the European Championship despite not even qualifying.

EXPRESS READ

Brazil edge Chile to enter Copa semifinals

RIO DE JANEIRO: Lucas Paqueta's second-half strike was enough for defending champions Brazil to hold off a determined Chile 1-0 on Friday and book a Copa America semifinal showdown with Peru. Substitute Paqueta made an instant impact, scoring in the 47th minute. Brazil were reduced to 10 men when Gabriel Jesus's reckless kick caught Eugenio Mena in the face and drew a straight red.

Musavu-King inks two-year extension with Bengaluru FC

BENGALURU: Defender Yrondu Musavu-King has signed a two-year extension with Bengaluru FC, adding to his earlier short term contract with the club. The 29-year-old is Blues' head coach Marco Pezzaiuoli's first foreign acquisition ahead of the new season. He has turned out for clubs in Europe's top divisions like Granada, Udinese and Toulouse, among others.

Ranji Trophy returns in 2021-22 season

VIVEK KRISHNAN @Chennai

IN welcome news for India's domestic cricketers, the BCCI on Saturday announced an almost full-fledged calendar for the 2021-22 domestic season. The calendar includes the Ranji Trophy — cancelled last season owing to the Covid-19 pandemic — the country's premier first-class competition.

It will be held in a three-month window from November 16, 2021, to February 19, 2022. The Duleep Trophy, Irani Cup and Deodhar Trophy – which were not held last season – do not find a space in the calendar this season too. The season will commence with the women in action from September onwards. The Senior Women's One-Day League will be the first tournament and will be held from September 21 to October 22. It will be an important one-day season for the women as the Women's ODI World Cup is scheduled to be held in New Zealand in March-April next year.

The men's season will kick-start with the Syed Mushtaq Ali T20 meet, scheduled to be held from October 20 to November 12. It will be held just after IPL in the UAE, which is likely to finish in the second week of October. While the Ranji season normally takes around four months to complete, the window available this season is slightly lesser. "We don't plan to reduce the number of Ranji matches. The format will remain as it has been in recent years," said a BCCI official. The Vijay Hazare Trophy will be held from February 23 to March 26.

With the next U-19 World Cup scheduled in West Indies in 2022, India's U-19 cricketers will also have enough opportunities to stake a claim in the national set-up with the return of the Vinoo Mankad Trophy, followed by the U-19 One-Day Challenger tournament.

SFI backs Sajan for Arjuna Award; Nanavati for Dhyan Chand

ASHIM SUNAM @Bengaluru

THE Swimming Federation of India (SFI) nominated Sajan Prakash for the Arjuna Award. Besides, they also recommended Kamlesh Nanavati's name for the Dhyan Chand Award for his rich contribution to aquatic sports.

Sajan, who will be making his second Olympic appearance, became the first ever swimmer to achieve the Olympic Qualifying Time recently. For the historic A mark, SFI president RN Jayaprakash announced a cash award of Rs 5 lakh to the swimmer last month. In fact, this is the second time the national swimming body nominated Sajan for the prestigious award. In the past, swimmers like Sandeep Sejwal, Virdhawal Khade, among others, have won the award and SFI secretary general Monal Chokshi hopes Sajan will join the list.

"Sajan was nominated last year too, but he was not considered by the committee. We hope that this year, because he has now proved himself and created a landmark (A cut), he will be considered for the Arjuna Award," said Chokshi, adding that Sajan was the only one who applied for it.

It is important to mention that Sajan's coach Pradeep Kumar played an important role in helping him punch the Tokyo ticket with strict training. Hence, contribution of coaches cannot be ignored, and likewise, SFI has not forgotten Nanavati, who has an impressive resume as a swimming coach for four decades. More importantly, he also coached Manaa Patel who is the lone Indian female swimmer to represent India in Tokyo Games via the Universality quota.

Nanavati, who represented India in water polo, as a swimming coach produced several national medallists and national record holders as well. The former secretary general of SFI also made a mark for himself in officiating as Director of Competitions at national and international meets and has remained on the technical committee of FINA for water polo. Also, Tapan Panigrahi has been nominated for the Dronacharya Award (lifetime achievement) for helping India produce many national and international champions in para-swimming as well as able-bodied category.

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Post loss, Murray turns philosophical

AFP @London

ANDY Murray suffered his earliest Wimbledon exit in 16 years on Friday when he was knocked out in the third round by world No 12 Denis Shapovalov and was left asking himself: "Is it worth it?"

Two-time champion Murray, who has been locked in a lengthy battle against hip and groin injuries, went down 6-4, 6-2, 6-2.

"There is a part of me that feels a bit like I have put in so much work the last three months and ultimately didn't play how I would want and expect, and it's like is it worth it?," said 34-year-old Murray.

"Is all of that training and everything that you're doing in the gym, unless you're able to practice and improve your game and get matches and continue, get a run of tournaments, is it worth all of the work that you're doing?"

Roger Federer celebrates his victory over Cameron Norrie on Saturday | AFP

SELECT RESULTS (RD 3

- **Men:** Denis Shapovalov (CAN X10) bt Andy Murray (GBR) 6-4, 6-2, 6-2; Alexander Zverev (GER x4) bt Taylor Fritz (USA x31) 6-7 (3), 6-4, 6-3, 7-6 (4); Matteo Berrettini (ITA x7) bt Aljaz Bedene (SLO) 6-4, 6-4, 6-4; Hubert Hurkacz (POL x14) bt Alexander Bublik (KAZ) 6-3, 6-4, 6-2; Lorenzo Sonego (ITA x23) bt James Duckworth (AUS) 6-3, 6-4, 6-4
- **Women:** Emma Raducanu (GBR) bt Sorana Cirstea (ROM) 6-3, 7-5; Coco Gauff (USA x20) bt Kaja Juvan (SLO) 6-3, 6-3; Angelique Kerber (GER x25) bt Aliaksandra Sasnovich (BLR) 2-6, 6-0, 6-1; Karolina Muchova (CZE x19) bt Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova (RUS x16) 7-5, 6-3.

Federer in last 16

Roger Federer reached the Wimbledon last 16 for the 18th time on Saturday with a 6-4, 6-4, 5-7, 6-4 victory over Cameron Norrie.

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Public are informed that My client Mrs. Thankam, W/o Y. Rammohan Rao Residing at No.26, 8th Cross, Bhavani Street, Muniswamyappa Layout R M Nagar, Bangalore North Doorvaninagar, Bangalore 560016, hereby informs that, the Original Sale Deed Dated 24.06.1983 Doc No.2153/1983-84 and Original General Power of Attorney dated 21.02.1994, Doc No.1161/1994-95, which have been lost/misplaced while applying Encumbrance Certificate on 17.02.2007 in office of Sub Registrar K.R.Puram. My client has also lodged a police complaint on 24.03.2007 before Circle Inspector of Police. Any person/s in possession of the aforesaid document may return the same to us or anyone having any sort of claim over the said property may lodge their objections in writing within 7 days from this day to the undersigned.

Karthik. S. Rao. B, Advocate, No.10, Second Floor, Car Street, Halasuru, Bangalore - 560 008.
Date : 04.07.2021, Place : Bangalore.

DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-I BENGALURU
No. 4, 2nd Floor, LIC Jeevan Mangal Building Residency Road, Bengaluru- 560025
DRC No. 14619

IDBI Bank Limited, Retail Loan Centre, No. 326, Ashwini Complex, 6th Main, 80 Feet Road, Indiranagar, Bengaluru-560038.
.....Certificate Holder
Versus
Mr. Rathnakar Varanasi Uday Bhaskar Rao & Another
....Defendants/Certified Debtors

To, **(1) Mr. Rathnakar Varanasi Uday Bhaskar Rao S/o Mr. Uday Bhaskar Rao,** No. 552, 19th "B" Cross, 1st Block, Devegowda Main Road, R.T Nagar, Bengaluru-560032.
Also at: 74/2, "Sanjana Plaza", 1st Floor, NIIT Elephant Rock Road, Jayanagar III Block, Bengaluru-560011.
Also at: No. 552, 19th Cross, Devegowda Road, R.T Nagar, Near V-Care Hospital, Bengaluru-560032.
(2) Mrs. Usha. S Srinivasan, No. 552, 19th "B" Cross, 1st Block Devegowda Main Road, R.T. Nagar, Bengaluru-560032.
Also at: IBM Daksh DI. COC, Manyata Embassy Business Park, Outer Ring Road, Nagawara, Bengaluru-560045.
Also at: Site No. 26/B, Flat No. G-06, (Ground Floor), "A" Block, M/s. Oceanus Royale, Industrial Suburb, 3rd Stage, Mysuru South Taluk, Mysuru-570008.

DEMAND NOTICE

In view of the Recovery Certificate issued in **O.A. No. 1980/2014** passed by the Hon'ble Presiding Officer, DRT, Bengaluru on **03.01.2019** an amount of **Rs.12,72,157/-** (Rupees Twelve Lakhs Seventy Two Thousand One Hundred and Fifty Seven Only) is due against you along with interest and costs from the date of filling of O.A.s till realization.
You are hereby called upon to deposit the amount within 15 days of the receipt of the notice, failing which the recovery shall be made as per rules.
In additions to the sum aforesaid you will be liable to pay:
a) Such interest as is payable for the period commencing immediately after this notice of the execution proceedings.
b) all costs, charges and expenses incurred in respect of the service of this notice and other process that may be taken for recovering the amount due.
Given under my hand and the seal of the Tribunal on this 27th February 2019.

Sd/- (RAJASEKHARAN.R)
RECOVERY OFFICER-1
DRT - I, BENGALURU

Note : Attention is invited to Rule 16 of the Second Schedule of the Income Tax Act 1961 read with recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 which is reproduced below:
"Rule 16(1) where a notice has been served on a defaulter under Rule 2, the defaulter or his representative or his representative in interest shall not be competent to mortgage, charge, lease or otherwise deal with any property belonging to him except with the permission of the Debts Recovery Officer, nor shall any civil court issue any process against such property in execution of a decree for the payment of money.
(2) Where an attachment has been made under this schedule any private transfer or delivery of the property attached or of any interest therein and any payment to the defaulter of any debt, dividend or other monies contrary to such attachment, shall be void, as against all claims enforceable under the attachment."

TUMAKURU MACHINE TOOL PARK
(Joint Venture of GOI & GOK)
(CIN-U45207KA2017NPL099566)
49, 5th Floor, 'East Wing' Khanija Bhavan, Race Course Road, Bengaluru-01.
Phone: 080-22288841/42/43, Mob: 9845520837
e-Mail: cfo@tmtp.in Website: www.tmtp.in
No: TMTP/F&A/027/e-Auction 01/033/2021-22 Date: 03.07.2021

TENDER NOTIFICATION

Tumakuru Machine Tool Park (TMTP) intends to invest its surplus funds of **Rs. 34 Crore** in the Fixed Deposit for a period of **91 days** with Nationalized/Public Sector/Regional Rural Banks/Private Sector Banks.
Schedule of Events for E-Auction: (1) Date of downloading e-Auction tender documents: **05.07.2021 (2)** Last date & time for upload/receipt of tender with the Declaration in Annexure-B: **13.07.2021 before 17.00 Hours. (3)** Live Bidding/ Opening of Tender: **16.07.2021 Commences at 11.00 Hours & concludes at 13.00 Hours.** The bidding banks may download the tender documents for the above deposits from the e-Procurement portal **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in**
Sd/- Chief Executive Officer, TMTP

PUBLIC NOTICE

Caution to Public against dealing with moveable assets and properties of Anheuser Busch InBev India Limited.

It is brought to the notice of the public at large that in accordance with the order, dated 2nd July 2021, passed by the Hon'ble LXXXVI Additional City Civil Judge, Bangalore, in Com. E.X. No. 163/2021, filed by Scarpe Marketing Pvt. Ltd., a warrant for attachment of movables of Anheuser Busch InBev India Limited at its corporate office located at 6th Floor, Green Heart Building, Mfar, Manyata Tech Park, Phase IV, Nagavara Village, Bengaluru – 560045 has been issued.

In view of the above, the public at large is hereby cautioned against buying/dealing with any movable assets of Anheuser Busch InBev India Limited, directly or indirectly.

Scarpe Marketing Pvt. Ltd.
Hyderabad, Telangana

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CSIR–CENTRAL MECHANICAL ENGINEERING RESEARCH INSTITUTE
(Council of Scientific & Industrial Research)
Mahatma Gandhi Avenue, Durgapur - 713 209 (West Bengal)
No.7/12/2021-Rct Date: 02.07.2021

Advertisement No. 02/2021
Engagement for Junior Research Fellow (JRF) under CSIR-JRF (GATE) Fellowship

An interview will be conducted at **CSIR-CMERI, Durgapur through Online mode** to select candidates for **05 (Five) positions of Junior Research Fellow (JRF) under CSIR-JRF (GATE) having B.E. / B. Tech. in Mechanical / Electronics / Electrical / Computer Science and Engineering or equivalent with valid GATE Score Card**. Selected candidates will be required to register for Integrated Dual Degree PhD (IDDP) program in Academy of Scientific and Innovative Research (AcSIR) mandatorily. AcSIR at CSIR-CMERI, Durgapur conducts IDDP programs. Detailed information regarding AcSIR programmes is available on the admission portal of AcSIR **http://www.acsir.res.in**. For detail advertisement and other information, the interested candidates may log on to the Institute website: **www.cmeri.res.in → Opportunity → Career → Vacancies → Advt. No. 02/2021**. The interested Candidates who are Indian national and fulfil the eligibility criteria are required to send the scan copy of all their relevant original certificates, mark sheets and a recent passport size photograph along with the filled-in Application Form available on the Institute website, to the email ID **temprct@cmeri.res.in within the last date i.e.18th July, 2021**.

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Bank of Baroda
(A Government of India Undertaking)
Brigade Road Branch (Trinity Circle), No.41/2, Ground Floor, Vijaya Towers, MG Road, Trinity Circle, Bangalore-560001 Tel No.- 080- 2501 1524 / 307 / 378, brigad@bankofbaroda.com

POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable Property) APPENDIX IV under Act- Rule 8(1)

Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the **Bank Of Baroda Brigrde Road Branch, Bangalore** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act (54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Sec 13(12) read with Rule-3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 issued Demand Notice dated **07.04.2021** calling upon the Borrower: **1) Mr. S.Prasanna Udaya Bhaskar Reddy** S/o N.Srinivas Reddy **2) Mrs. Roopa S.P** W/o Mr. S.Prasanna Udaya Bhaskar Reddy, Site No.77, V P Khatha No. 757/77-1185, Royal Gardenia, Bommasandra Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs. 1,49,35,446.27** (Rupees One Crore Forty Nine Lakhs Thirty Five Thousand Four Hundred Forty Six and Twenty Seven Paise Only) as on **31.03.2021** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.
The Borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him /her under Sub Section (4) of Section 13 of Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 on this **29th day of June 2021.**
The Borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **Bank of Baroda** for an amount of **Rs. 1,49,35,446.27/-** (Rupees One Crore Forty Nine Lakhs Thirty Five Thousand Four Hundred Forty Six and Twenty Seven Paise Only) and interest thereon.
The Borrower's attention is invited to Provisions of Sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All the part and parcel Mortgage of property located at Site No. 77, V P Khatha No. 757/77-1185, Royal Gardenia, Bommasandra Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District, measuring East to West 80 Feet and North to South 50 Feet totally measuring 4000 Sq. Ft and bounded on: On the East by : Road, On the West by : Site No. 68, On the North by : Site No. 76, On the South by : Site No. 78.

Place : Bangalore
Date : 29.06.2021
Sd/- Authorised Officer
Bank of Baroda

GULBARGA ELECTRICITY SUPPLY COMPANY LIMITED
(Wholly Owned Govt. of Karnataka Undertaking)
No. GESCOM/SEE (Procurement)/EE/AEE-1/2021-22/8651-55 Date: 03.07.2021

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

1) Description of work : **PC-1150:** Establishment of repair center at Kalaburagi and carrying out repairs to faulty **25/63/100 KVA** Conventional and 3 Star rated Distribution Transformers of GESCOM **Kalaburagi** Zone, 2) Amount put to tender (in Rs.) : **483.59 Lakhs,** 3) Contractor Qualifying Requirement : As per tender documents (IFB), 4) Visit e-procurement portal on or After for Bid Documents : 07.07.2021 after 10.30 Hrs, 5) Pre-bid meeting Date: 14.07.2021, 6) Last Date & time for receipt of Bids through Electronic Mode only : 22.07.2021 up to 17.30 Hrs, 7) Date & time of opening of Electronic Bid Sheets (Technical Bid) : 26.07.2021 at 11:00 Hrs, 8) Date & time of opening of Electronic Bid Sheets (Price Bid) : 27.07.2021 at 14:00 Hrs, 9) For more information Contact : **Executive Engineer EI.,** Procurement Section, Corporate Office, GESCOM, Kalaburagi-585 102. Mobil: 9448359006, 10) Web Site Address : **www.e-proc.karnataka.gov.in**

DIPR/Kalaburagi/393/MC&A/2021-22
Superintending Engineer (Procurement), Corporate Office, GESCOM, Kalaburagi-585 102

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Government of Karnataka.
(Public Works Department)
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER PWD DIVISION BIDAR
NO: EE/PWD//Divn/Bdr/KKRDB/JE-2/2021-22/811 Date: 02.07.2021

INVITATION FOR TENDERS

On behalf of Governor of Karnataka, The Executive Engineer, PWD Division Bidar invites Tenders from eligible Tenderers for the WORK_INDENT NO. (General 07 work) KPWD/ 2021-22/RD/BD/WORK_ INDENT 139418, 137699, 139416, 137269, 137230, 137185 and 137229. Amount put to tender for the works are Minimum Rs. 39.85 Lakhs. & Maximum **Rs. 222.86 Lakhs.** Tender documents may be downloaded from the e-procurement portal of the Govt. of Karnataka Viz. http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in on 02.07.2021. Tenders must be submitted through e-procurement portal on or before 16.00 hours on 14.07.2021. Further any other information can be seen from the e-procurement portal or can be had from the undersigned.
Note: - Turnover certificate Without UDI Number will not be considered.

DIPR/Bidar/73/MC&A/2021-22
SD/- Executive Engineer, PWD Division Bidar.

Government of Karnataka
(PWD Division Raichur)
EXECUTIVE ENGINEER PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT DIVISION RAICHUR, Telephone No. : 08532-225778 & 234747

E-PROCUREMENT SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION –(KW- 1,2, 3 & 4)

1) Notification No & Date : PWD/RDN/TS-4/TN/2021-22/924 Date: 30-06-2021, 2) Name of work's : Raichur District Total 16 work's, Raichur, Manvi, Deodurga & Lingasugur taluk Different types of roads and other development works, 3) Amount of works: Min Rs. 508464.00, Max Rs. 49205056.86, 4) Period (including Manson) : Min 1 (One) Month, Max 6 (Six) Months, 5) Last Date and Time for Receipt of Tender : **15/07/2021 16:00:00,** 6) Date and Time for Opening of Tender : **16/07/2021 16:30:00**
For More details visit this **website https://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in**

DIPR/Raichur/187/MC&A/2021-22
Sd/-EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, PWD Division, RAICHUR.

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Russia sets another Covid-19 record as world battles Delta

Delta variant continuing to evolve and mutate, WHO chief warns; Indonesia uses troops to enforce curbs; Iran braces for fifth wave

HEALTH

MOSCOW: Russia reported its fifth record for daily Covid-19 deaths in a row on Saturday, as countries around the world rushed to contain the rapid spread of the highly contagious Delta variant.

The variant has propelled a resurgence of the virus which has already killed nearly four million people, forcing numerous nations to reimpose restrictions well over a year after the pandemic first swept the world.

Thousands of troops and police hit the streets in Indonesia to enforce a partial lockdown imposed on Saturday, as the country recorded a record 27,913 new daily cases as well as 493 deaths.

Mosques, restaurants and shopping malls were shuttered in the capital Jakarta, across the main island of Java and on Bali after the daily caseload quadrupled in less than a month, with the Delta variant blamed.

The overwhelmed healthcare system is teetering on the brink of collapse as jammed hospitals turn away patients, forcing desperate families to hunt for oxygen tanks to treat the sick and dying at home.

Elsewhere in Southeast Asia, Myanmar ordered two million people in the second city of Mandalay to stay at home Friday as the coup-hit country struggles to contain coronavirus cases.

New measures were also put into place in Portugal, with an 11 pm to 5 am curfew entering force overnight for nearly half the population in a bid rein in rising Delta infections.

Women have a meal outside a restaurant after eateries began requesting QR codes of vaccination or a negative test in Moscow. Russia has so far ruled out a lockdown | AP

Russia has so far ruled out a new lockdown to fight surging Delta cases, even as it reported 697 more deaths on Saturday -- setting a new national record for the fifth straight day.

Different Covid response

"The Delta variant is dangerous and is continuing to evolve and mutate, which requires constant evaluation and careful adjustment of the public health response," the World Health Organization's Director-General Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus warned.

As new manufacturing hubs "including for mRNA vaccines" are being developed, the WHO chief said this could be accelerated by companies openly sharing technology and know-how. "In particular, I urge those companies BioNTech, Pfizer and Moderna to share their know-how so that we can speed up the development of new production. The sooner we start building more vaccine hubs and upping global vaccine capacity, the sooner we can diminish deadly surges,' he said.

Grim outlook for Iran

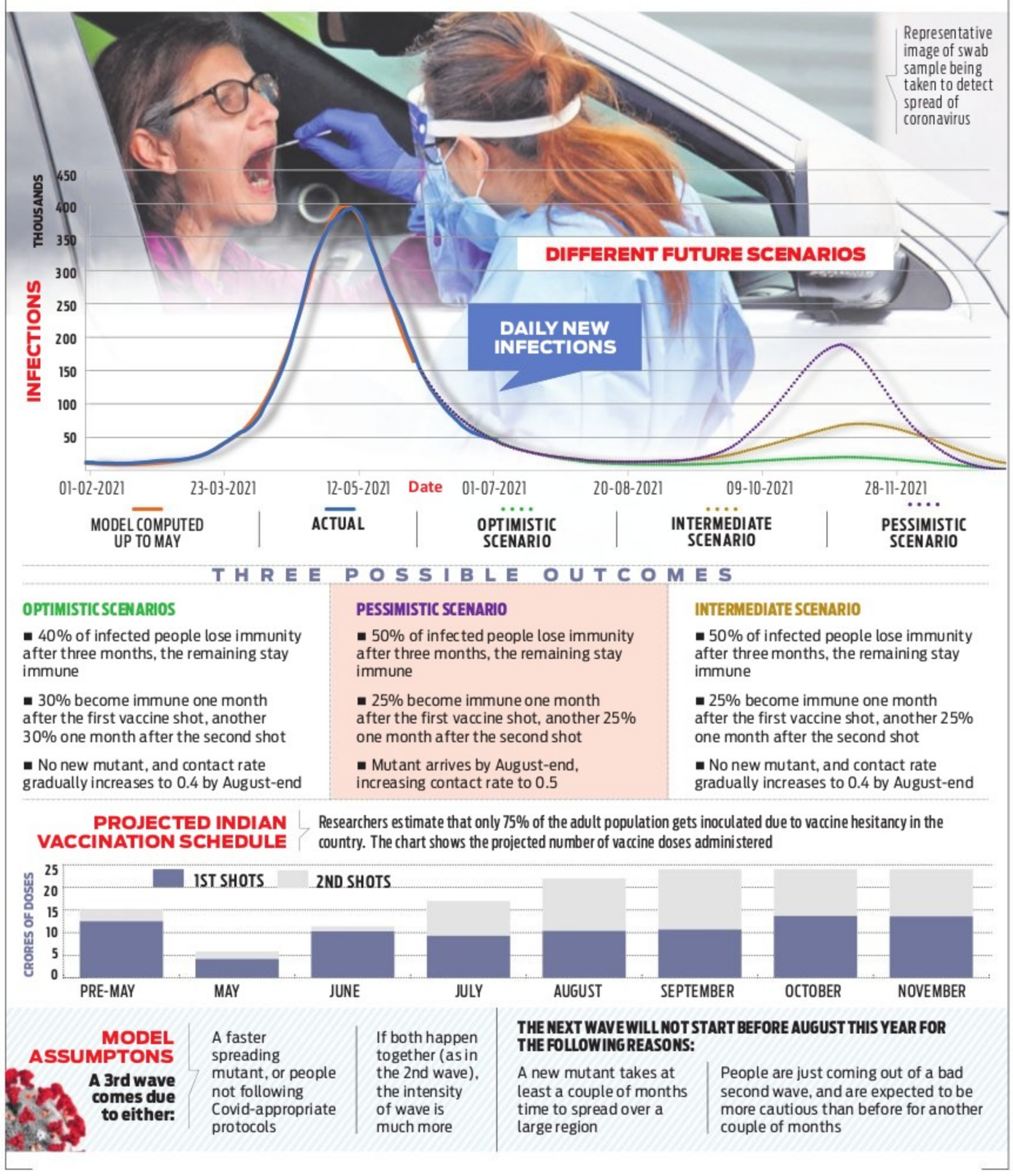
Iran, battling the West Asia's deadliest outbreak of the coronavirus, has warned it could be hit by yet another wave of infections. "It is feared that we are on the way to a fifth wave throughout the country," President Hassan Rouhani told a meeting of Iran's anti-virus taskforce, warning the public to be careful as "the Delta variant has spread" in southern provinces.

> **The stricter restrictions came too late. Before, people who got Covid-19 were strangers, but now it's also the people closest to me who are infected... The virus is getting so much closer and it's terrifying**
>
> Maya Puspita Sari, a Jakarta resident

EXFILE DATA

IIT researchers predict there will be no major third wave in India

Data modelling from Professor Maninda Agrawal of IIT Kanpur and other academics predicts that a big third Covid wave in India is unlikely, assuming an immunity-escaping variant of the novel coronavirus does not emerge



THREE POSSIBLE OUTCOMES

OPTIMISTIC SCENARIOS

- 40% of infected people lose immunity after three months, the remaining stay immune
- 30% become immune one month after the first vaccine shot, another 30% one month after the second shot
- No new mutant, and contact rate gradually increases to 0.4 by August-end

PESSIMISTIC SCENARIO

- 50% of infected people lose immunity after three months, the remaining stay immune
- 25% become immune one month after the first vaccine shot, another 25% one month after the second shot
- Mutant arrives by August-end, increasing contact rate to 0.5

INTERMEDIATE SCENARIO

- 50% of infected people lose immunity after three months, the remaining stay immune
- 25% become immune one month after the first vaccine shot, another 25% one month after the second shot
- No new mutant, and contact rate gradually increases to 0.4 by August-end

PROJECTED INDIAN VACCINATION SCHEDULE

Researchers estimate that only 75% of the adult population gets inoculated due to vaccine hesitancy in the country. The chart shows the projected number of vaccine doses administered

MODEL ASSUMPTONS

A 3rd wave comes due to either:

- A faster spreading mutant, or people not following Covid-appropriate protocols
- If both happen together (as in the 2nd wave), the intensity of wave is much more

THE NEXT WAVE WILL NOT START BEFORE AUGUST THIS YEAR FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS:

- A new mutant takes at least a couple of months time to spread over a large region
- People are just coming out of a bad second wave, and are expected to be more cautious than before for another couple of months

MISTY DAWN

An Icelandic foal stands on a meadow at a stud farm in Wehrheim near Frankfurt, Germany, as the sun rises on Saturday | AP

Ransomware hits 200 US companies

TECHNOLOGY

A ransomware attack paralyzed the networks of at least 200 U.S. companies on Friday, according to a cybersecurity researcher whose company was responding to the incident.

The REvil gang, a major Russian-speaking ransomware syndicate, appears to be behind the attack, said John Hammond of the security firm Huntress Labs. He said the criminals targeted a software supplier called Kaseya, using its network-management package as a conduit to spread the ransomware through cloud-service providers. Other researchers agreed with Hammond's assessment.

"Kaseya handles large enterprise all the way to small businesses globally, so ultimately, (this) has the potential to spread to any size or scale business," Hammond said in a direct message on Twitter. "This is a colossal and devastating supply chain attack."

Such cyberattacks typically infiltrate widely used software and spread malware as it updates automatically. It was not immediately clear how many Kaseya customers might be affected or who they might be. Kaseya urged customers to immediately shut down servers running the affected software.

Repurposed drugs cut sleep apnoea severity by 30%

MEDICINE

SYDNEY: A team of researchers have successfully repurposed two existing medications to reduce the severity of sleep apnoea in people by at least 30 per cent.

Sleep apnoea is a condition where the upper airway from the back of the nose to the throat closes repetitively during sleep, restricting oxygen intake and causing people to wake as often as 100 times or more per hour.

Those with untreated sleep apnoea are more likely to develop cardiovascular disease, dementia and depression, and are two to four times more likely to crash a car than the general population, indicates the study in *The Journal of Physiology*.

"We were thrilled because the current treatment options for people with sleep apnoea are limited and can be a painful journey for many," said researcher Danny Eckert from Flinders University in Australia.

Previous research showed two classes of medication -- reboxetine and butyl bromide -- were able to keep muscles active during sleep in people without sleep apnea and assist their ability to breathe.

By repurposing the medications, researchers used a multitude of recording instruments to measure whether reboxetine and butylbromide could successfully target the main causes of sleep apnoea.

This included balancing the electrical activity of muscles around the airway, preventing the throat from collapsing while people were sleeping, and improving the regulation of carbon dioxide and breathing during sleep.

The results from the study showed these medications did in fact increase the muscle activity around participants' airways, with the drugs reducing the severity of participants' sleep apnoea by up to one-third.

FACT OF THE MATTER

Gravitational wave detector

SPACE

The European Strategy Forum on Research Infrastructures, which advises European governments on research priorities, added the triangular designed Einstein Telescope, a Gravitational wave detector, to a road map of large science projects ready for progress. Gravitational wave detectors sense the ripples in space when massive objects like black holes collide with each other and merge. Scientists have also witnessed the merger of smaller neutron stars in the past. Huge L-shaped optical devices called interferometers are used to sense gravitational waves. They deploy laser light and compare the lengths of the interferometers arm to spot the stretching of space. LIGO and Europe's Virgo detectors are similar instruments.

Setting up oyster homes

CONSERVATION

Call it the seafood circle of life: Shells discarded by diners are being collected, cleaned and dumped into waterways around the country and the world, where they form the basis of new oyster colonies. One of the latest such projects is taking place in Atlantic City in the US state of New Jersey, where a casino and two other restaurants are saving the shells left over from their diners. The shells are then collectedand workers and volunteers with Rutgers and Stockton universities and the Jetty Rock Foundation load them on barges and dump them into the Mullica River. That waterway is home to one of the last self-sustaining oyster populations on the Atlantic coast.

NO GOLD STARS

Cannes Film Festival's efforts to go green questioned amid industry's poor record

CLIMATE

ROME: The Cannes Film Festival has vowed to go green, even trimming its red carpet in half -- but can it make any difference to an industry built around private jets and rampant consumption?

Movie stars from Leonardo DiCaprio to Juliette Binoche have made environmental campaigning a central part of their image in recent years, fronting movies about climate change and using their soap boxes to call for action.

Keen to show support, the organisers of Cannes, which runs from July 6 to 17, have said the environmental "emergency is at the heart of its concerns" this year.

They have banned plastic bottles, deployed a fleet of electric cars, and organised a special programme of climate-focused films.

Perhaps most symbolic of all, the festival is cutting the volume of its red carpet by 50 percent, and making it from recycled materials rather than the usual PVC.

But the film industry, with its non-stop, continent-skipping circus of premieres and parties, is far from getting any gold stars from Greta.

DiCaprio, for instance, famously pulled off an 8,000-mile round trip in a private jet in 2016 to pick up an environmental award.

Cannes finds itself in an awkward position -- hosting movies about climate change followed by massive parties that generate tonnes of waste and relying heavily on people flying in from all over the world. This year, it hopes to offset some of that carbon footprint with a 20-euro contribution from each participant to be disbursed by "a scientific committee of experts".

But the organisers admit film festivals are "an environmental challenge" that cannot be addressed overnight.

'Epochal change'

"There is a monstrous job to do" but the efforts are "very encouraging," said French filmmaker and activist Cyril Dion.

He is showing his new documentary "Animal", about the threat to global biodiversity, as part of the environmental programme this year.

The festival "is sending a signal that all the others should follow," he said. "These measures reflect an epochal change for cinema."

There are signs of change elsewhere in the industry. The Berlin Film Festival's red carpet is made from recycled fishing nets. In France more broadly, film subsidies will be conditional on sustainability commitments from 2024.

But with the signs of crisis mounting, is it still acceptable to gather people from around the globe for a festival?

"There is really a change of mindset," said Carole Scotta, head of French production firm Haut et Court and a leading voice in the climate debate.

As part of the festival's efforts to be more environment-friendly, this year's red carpet will be half the size of that last seen in 2019 | AFP